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## TOP STORY



# Troop de Cure

Local Boy Scout troop raises money for diabetes association

By ALI HIBBS

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**ELSMERE** — Boy Scout Troop 75 of Delmar raised more than \$8,800 for the American Diabetes Association earlier this month, as its members biked, walked and ran to raise awareness about the disease and fund research to find a cure.

On Sunday, June 10, the troop took part in the Capital District's annual Tour de Cure fundraiser at the Saratoga County Fairgrounds in Ballston Spa. Nationwide, Tour de Cure participants raise millions to fund diabetes research, advocacy, programs and education each year.

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Troop 75 was among 1,200 participants within the Capital District to collect more than \$550,000 for the American Diabetes Association.

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Baseball, and a trip to Cooperstown, is more than just a game.

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■ POLICE, FIRE, & EMERGENCY CALLS

# Kindlon stepping down from Public Defender's Office

ALBANY — Longtime defense attorney Terence L. Kindlon is stepping down from his role as the county's chief assistant public defender.

"Over the last two years, Terry Kindlon has brought leadership, tremendous knowledge and his skills to the Public Defender's Office," said County Executive Dan McCoy. "He worked with me in the fight for the important civil rights issue of indigent criminal defense and a state takeover of funding of indigent defense."

Kindlon will resume lecturing around the country and mentoring in Washington County regarding the *Hurrell-Harring* Settlement at the request of the state Office of Indigent Legal Services. He will also be traveling with his law partner/wife Laurie Shanks to Chile. Shanks has been named

a Fulbright Specialist and will be teaching at the University of Santiago.

"I am profoundly grateful to County Executive Dan McCoy for giving me the honor and the privilege of playing a role in the renaissance of the Albany County Public Defender's Office," said Kindlon.

Kindlon also served as acting Albany County public defender until the appointment of Judge Stephen Herrick. Kindlon served as a county assistant public defender from 1974 until 1980 when he then entered private practice. Over the years, he has worked on some of the most notable trials in the region, including defending Delmar resident Christopher Porco, who was ultimately found guilty of killing his father with an axe.

As a founding member

of the state Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and member of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, he has shared his expertise with local bar groups in New York, Vermont, Mississippi and Arkansas.

Kindlon has argued death penalty cases and provided legal counsel in numerous trials for indigent defendants. His career also includes representation of same-sex couples seeking the right to marry before the state Court of Appeals in 2006, five years before it was legalized in the state.

Kindlon served in the Marine Corps and received a Purple Heart after being wounded during the Tet Offensive in Vietnam in 1968. He was awarded a Bronze Star with combat "v" and was medically retired as a sergeant because of his wounds.

## Pair arrested on drug, weapons charges

BETHLEHEM — State troopers from the Albany Thruway barracks arrested a man and a woman from Florida on Saturday, June 2.

Investigators say Reese Vanderwarker, age 51, and Niesha Garrett, age

32, both of Clearwater, Fla., were traveling along the state Thruway in the Town of Bethlehem when troopers conducted a traffic stop for vehicle and traffic law violations.

During their roadside investigation, troopers reportedly conducted a probable cause search and located marijuana, concentrated cannabis, concentrated cannabis wax, a stun gun and a large amount of cash.

Vanderwarker and Garrett were arrested for criminal possession of a controlled substance in the fourth degree, criminal possession of marijuana in the fifth degree and criminal possession of a weapon. Both were arraigned in Town of Bethlehem Court and remanded to Albany County jail on bail.

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## Traffic stops lead to drug arrests

BETHLEHEM — Frederick J. Brown, of Far Rockaway, was arrested by state troopers on Saturday, June 9, following a traffic stop during the early morning hours on the Thruway in the Town of Bethlehem. Brown was reportedly found to be in possession of a large quantity of both processed marijuana and marijuana edibles.

Brown was processed at the state police station in Albany and lodged at the Albany county jail overnight pending arraignment in Town of Bethlehem Court.

COEYMANS — On Saturday, June 16, state troopers and investigators out of New Scotland arrested a 35-year-old Selkirk woman with the felony of criminal possession of a controlled substance in the fifth degree after she was allegedly found in possession of powdered cocaine.

Lauren M. Shear of Selkirk was arrested following a traffic stop on Old Ravena Road in the Town of Coeymans.

During the traffic stop, Shear was reportedly found to be operating a vehicle with a suspended driver's license and in possession of the powdered cocaine.

She was processed at the New Scotland State Police station and arraigned in the Town of Coeymans Court where she was released to is scheduled to appear back at the court on Tuesday, June 19.

GUILDERLAND — State Police troopers and investigators out of New Scotland arrested a 27-year-old East Greenbush man for the felonies of criminal possession of a controlled substance

in the fourth degree and in the fifth degree, after he was allegedly found in possession of both crack cocaine and MDMA (ecstasy) pills.

Devin P. McGlothlan was arrested following a traffic stop on Fuller Road in the Town of Guilderland on Saturday, June 16.

During the traffic stop, McGlothlan was reportedly found to be in possession of both crack cocaine and MDMA.

He was processed at the Guilderland state police station and arraigned in the Town of Guilderland Court, where he was remanded to the Albany County jail on \$100 cash bail or \$1,000 secured

bond pending a future court appearance.

## Man thought he was meeting teen

COLONIE — A 41-year-old man from Sharon Springs showed up at a Latham apartment complex on Thursday, June 14, thinking he was going to meet a 14-year-old girl for sex.

Instead, he was met by investigators with the Colonie Police Department's Computer Crimes Unit and put in handcuffs.

During the course of a two-week investigation, Jonathan Mattice allegedly messaged undercover investigators, who were posing as a teen, and the contact involved conversations that were of a sexual nature and the

attempt to meet for sex.

A meeting was scheduled for June 14, and he was arrested at 5:34 p.m. without

incident.

Lt. Robert Winn said a search warrant was executed on his vehicle and a digital media device was seized for a forensic examination.

There are no known real victims, and there was never a teenage girl communicating with Mattice. Furthermore, the investigation did not reveal any known access to children of a troubling nature, in his personal or work life. He is a mechanic at a Signal Hill Farm.

Due to the nature of the charges, however, anyone who believes that they may be a victim or has information is urged to contact the Colonie Police at (518) 783-2744.

Mattice was sent to the Albany County jail pending arraignment on three felonies: attempted rape, attempted criminal sex act and attempted dissemination of indecent material to a minor.

Colonie police were assisted by the State Police Computer Crimes Unit and the FBI Child Exploitation Task Force.



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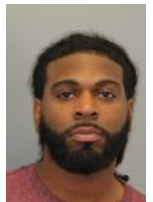
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■ POLICE, FIRE, & EMERGENCY CALLS

# State Police: She wasn't even there

Woman charged with making up racially charged road rage story

By **JIM FRANCO**  
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**LATHAM** — The woman who went on television and claimed four people ran her and her son off the road and beat her car with a baseball bat and frying pan while screaming racial epithets wasn't there, according to State Police.

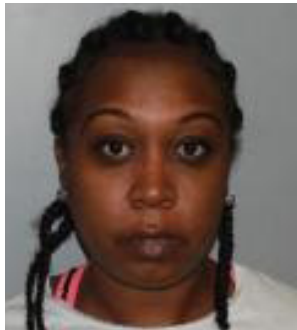
Natia Shim, a 35-year-old woman from Troy, now faces the misdemeanor of filing a false written statement.

Meanwhile, a fourth person is charged with forcing her son, the lone occupant of the vehicle, off the road and beating on his car on May 10.

Shim gave television interviews stating a group of people "were yelling that they were white supremacists and we n-words do not belong in their country. It's a life or death situation, they threatened to kill us."

She also criticized police for not acting quickly enough in making arrests.

"The African American community, locally, was upset and rightly so," said State Police Maj.



SHIM

Robert Patnaude during a press conference on Wednesday, June 13. "But we determined what she said was not true. The comments she made, that were televised, were not true. She was not there so she did not hear any comments like that."

Patnaude said there was an incident on May 9 in Watervliet where a friend/family member of the four who now face charges was injured. A day later, the injured man called his father and told him he just saw the car involved in the incident the day prior.

Four people then pursued Shim's son's vehicle and it was initially cornered on Alternate Route 7. Shim's son got away and a high speed chase took place before

the State Police became involved.

He said some of the people who are now facing charges did call 911 while everything was transpiring on May 10 at shortly after 3 p.m.

"All they should have done was call us and get a plate number and we would have tracked it down and determined if they were involved in the Watervliet incident and made the appropriate investigation but instead



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they took matters into their own hands and now they are facing charges," Patnaude said.

The major would not say if Shim's son was involved in the Watervliet incident, and would not say if the four facing charges

did hurl racial slurs the son's way. He did say the only racial component involved is that one party was "white and one was black."

He did, though, staunchly defend the time it took to make the arrests.

"If we could take everyone at their word our job would be a lot easier," he said. "We received some criticism initially for not moving on this faster but the night it happened our troopers felt the information was contradictory and might not be true so we took our time and made sure we were doing the right thing and arresting the right people."

On May 17, State Police arrested a pair from Watervliet - Phillip Quandt, 50, and Kristen Wright, 51. They are charged with felony criminal mischief as well



State Police Maj. Robert Patnaude speaks at a press conference.

Jim Franco/Spotlight News

as the misdemeanors of reckless endangerment and menacing.

Two days later Christopher Allen, 34, of Troy, was arrested and he faces charges of felony criminal mischief and the misdemeanors of menacing and reckless endangerment.

On Wednesday, June 13, along with Shim, State Police said they arrested

Logan Tardiff, a 21-year-old from Halfmoon, and charged him with the misdemeanors of reckless endangerment and menacing.

All four are due back in Colonie Town Court on different dates.

No other arrests are expected. The status of the case in Watervliet is not clear at this time.

## Fast team



**NEW SCOTLAND** — No injuries were reported as Onesquethaw Fire Department responded to a house fire at 1243 Cedar Grove Road at around 12:20 p.m. on Saturday, June 16. Upon arrival, flames were showing through the roof on the back of the house. Selkirk and Coeymans Hollow fire departments, and Albany County paramedics each responded to the scene as well. The Albany County Sheriff's Department is investigating the cause.

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## SPOTLIGHT ON FINANCE

## When it comes to credit card debt, divide and conquer

By RUTH MAHONEY,  
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Last week, the Federal Reserve raised short-term interest rates by a quarter point—putting it to 2 percent. It is the second of four expected increases in 2018, and for borrowers, it means the cost of borrowing has become more expensive.

While an increase in the interest rate will benefit those with savings, it adversely impacts those with adjusted rate loans and credit cards, which are generally tied to the prime rate. For example, according to Bankrate.com, the average variable rate for credit cards is 17 percent. If you carry the average U.S. household credit card debt of \$16,000, the quarter-point hike will likely translate to an additional \$40 a month in interest.

It's no surprise then that people with high credit card balances are concerned about feeling a personal finance pinch. The pinch is real. Higher rates are here, and not only are they here, but they are here to stay—and forecasted to climb higher.

However, the situation is far from bleak for credit card

holders. Smart use of credit has long been and continues to be a great tool for managing finances, boosting borrowing power and growing wealth...provided you manage credit responsibly.

### Attack your credit card debt

The important thing to realize about dealing with credit card debt is that there are options. There is no such thing as a one-size-fits-all solution. That said, a good place to begin is with a divide and conquer approach.



Ruth Mahoney

Separate your existing credit card accounts into three categories by balance and interest rate:

- High balance/high interest
- Low balance/high interest
- Low balance/lower interest

Your banker can be a great resource for talking about borrowing options, such as interest-free balance transfer cards, unsecured personal loans and, if you own your home, home equity loans and lines of credit.

If you have moderate debt (low balance/high interest) transferring your balances to a single card can be a good option. There are a number of interest-free balance introductory cards available. Just be sure

to consider balance transfer fees, as most transfer cards assess a fee per amount transferred. Then commit to paying off the new card within the promotional rate period.

For those carrying larger debts, a personal loan can provide you with a fixed interest rate and fixed monthly payment over a fixed period of time.

Finally, if you have available equity in your home, a home equity loan or line of credit may be a good option for consolidating your debt. Home equity loans and lines of credit typically have rates lower than most credit cards.

Work with your banker to rank your options by loan term, payments and interest savings so you have a complete picture how each option affects your short-term and long-term plans.

### Be smart with your credit card use

Like any good habit, smart credit card use doesn't end with a plan to consolidate and reduce card debt. The following suggestions can help ensure you keep moving forward and improving your financial wellness.

- Keep all credit card utilization—meaning the percentage of credit used—at 30 to 40 percent.
- Know your spending habits and set a credit card spending limit. You can use spending and security alert

options to help you stick to the limit.

- Pay cards off in full each month, or pay extra each month.

Also, consider having two credit cards. One card should feature a revolving balance for major purchases. The other card should feature a rewards option that is appropriate for your lifestyle. Use that card for regular purchases and reap the rewards, such as cash back or gift cards.

### Start saving

There's immediate gratification—and budget relief—to be had by paying off high interest credit cards. However, it is important to avoid falling into old habits.

For starters, make the next step in boosting your financial wellness by moving from saving on interest to bolstering saving. Take the money you were using to make debt payments and use automatic savings account options to deposit money into an emergency savings account or money market account.

Finally, take your savings to the next level. You know how much more money you will have once you've paid off the no-interest introductory card or the low-interest term loan. Use that estimate, and develop a savings strategy for the future.

Regardless of what happens with interest rates over the next six months and beyond, dividing

and conquering your credit card debt allows you to take better control of your finances.

Remember, most people struggle with debt at some point in their lives. It is not insurmountable, and getting back onto the path of financial wellness may not be as difficult as it seems. You just need to take a step in the right direction. A frank, goals-oriented conversation with your banker is a good place to start.

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## Pay on time and pay it down to boost your credit score

If you've ever made a major purchase, such as buying a home or car, you know your credit score is one of the most important considerations for lenders. Your credit score helps lenders predict your potential credit risk. The better your credit score, the lower your cost of borrowing money. It's that simple.

While the most heavily weighted factor in determining your credit score is your history of paying bills on time, another critical component is demonstrating that you can manage debt.

Here's what you need to know about each.

**Payment history.** According to MyFico, bill payment history accounts for 35 percent of a FICO score. Considerations include: accounts from major card issuers, retail store accounts, installment loans, finance company accounts and mortgage loans.

To ensure you don't miss any payments, which can significantly dent a healthy credit score, put all your payment due dates in your calendar. Also, where practical and applicable, set up automatic payment for your bills. You can use bill pay to schedule and keep track of payments.

If you know you're going to have difficulty paying your bills, talk to your creditors about

hardship programs. You may be able to adjust due dates, reduce interest rates or have certain fees waived. Just don't wait until you are already behind in payments.

**Debt-to-credit ratio.** While you want to slash your overall debt load as much as possible, revolving credit, such as credit cards, should be your priority. Revolving credit is debt with a defined limit that you can continually access over time. Credit scores reflect the amount of available credit you have versus the amount of credit you are using. Ideally, you want to use less than 30 percent of your credit limit.

It's important to note that amount owed is not as important as the percentage of credit you are using. Also, amount owed is not strictly limited to your debt-to-credit ratio. Other factors include the total number of credit accounts you hold, how many have balances, what those balances are and the amount owed relative to the original balance.

Installment loans, such as mortgages, student loans and auto loans are treated differently than revolving credit. Paying them down will help lift your credit score, but carrying a large balance on such loans has minimal impact. Just make sure you pay on time—always.

■ GOVERNMENT

# County to begin completion of Rail Trail

**VOORHEESVILLE**

— Construction will begin on the final leg of the Albany County Helderberg-Hudson Rail Trail on Friday, June 22, connecting the Port of Albany to Voorheesville on a nine mile paved recreational path used by pedestrians and cyclists.

The last 3.7-mile stretch of path extends from Grove Street in Voorheesville to just west of the Route 85 overpass in Slingerlands. The section from Hilton Road in Slingerlands to Grove Street was completed last summer.

“The Albany County Helderberg-Hudson Rail Trail has been a labor of love of mine for some time,” said McCoy. “Each year it becomes more popular,

with over 200,000 visitors in 2017 alone, which means more people exploring the county and getting great exercise, higher property values along the trail and less cars clogging our streets and polluting our air.”

The work will include paving, grade crossing improvements and installation of wooden pedestrian railings. A Cleaner, Greener Communities grant from the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority and Albany County provided the funding. Future amenities will be added to the handicapped accessible Rail Trail for visitors and to support local businesses.

The rail trail corridor, which winds through

Albany, Delmar, Slingerlands and into Voorheesville, was originally purchased in 2009 at no cost to county taxpayers thanks to a grant from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation that was matched by Scenic Hudson.

While under construction, the trail will be closed to the public during working hours, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays. If conditions allow, the trail may be opened during non-working hours but residents should take caution and watch for changing conditions.

— Ali Hibbs

# Board approves funds to extend River Road water main

Project expected to improve drinking water quality

**By ALI HIBBS**

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**GLENMONT** — The Town Board approved the use of \$550,000 from the Water Fund Capital Reserve Fund in the town budget to cover the costs of extending a water main along River Road for a mile north of Wemple Road during its meeting on Wednesday, June 13. ,

The project would connect Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., which is currently undergoing an expansion at its facility at 461 River Road, to a town water source. While under review by the town Planning Board, it was determined that the amount of water available to the facility from its northern water main connection would not be sufficient to meet fire flow requirements.

According to Commissioner of Public Works George Kansas, the main extension project has been a goal for years.

“For water quality purposes, it is always a good idea to eliminate dead ends in water mains so that the water doesn’t get stagnant,” he said. “Also, by connecting these two existing dead

ends on River Road, we are creating redundancy in that part of our system so that water can be fed from both directions on River Road. This is a huge benefit in the event that one direction is temporarily unavailable due to a water main break.”

Initially, Air Products identified onsite and off-site improvements to address the water flow issue, estimated to cost \$200,000 to implement. After taking into consideration that the sampling site at Wemple Road has repeatedly been in non-compliance with the drinking water standards for trihalomethanes (THMs), which are produced when chlorine used for disinfectant reacts with organic matter in the water, the town opted to connect the water main to alleviate the issue.

The THMs form over time, so the older the water in the distribution system, the more likely it is to have higher THM levels,” explained Kansas.

“By tying into the dead end at the intersection of Wemple and River roads and extending the water main to the north to connect near Air Products, we

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# State paving Bethlehem roads this month

**BETHLEHEM** — The New York state Department of Transportation has announced a trio of paving projects it already has or will complete within the town between now and mid-August.

The state plans to resurface a section of State Route 144 (River Road) between Maple Avenue in Selkirk and Stonehouse Hill Road in Coeymans, which leads to the Ravena Coeymans Yacht Club. The work, which is expected to take place during daytime hours, save for Independence Day on Wednesday, July 4, started on Monday, and is expected to wrap up on Thursday, July 5. Variable message signs have been activated to warn regular travelers about the upcoming roadwork and possible travel delays.

While paving, the state will use alternating one-way traffic controlled by flag persons at either end to keep traffic moving. While DOT does not anticipate the need for night work, it reminds everyone that all paving plans are weather-

permitting and could be affected by significant changes in the weather or other unanticipated conditions.

Next month, DOT will begin milling and repaving Feura Bush Road between Elm Avenue Extension and River Road. The project’s contractor expects to begin work on Saturday, July 23, and anticipates it will take 20 days to complete. Since temporary lane closures are limited to

the hours of 9 a.m. To 3 p.m., the contractor plans to complete the milling and paving tasks at night. Variable message signs will be placed two weeks prior to the start of night work to give motorists advance notice.

DOT completed a project that entailed milling and repaving a section of Delaware Avenue in front of Town Hall.

— Ali Hibbs



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## COMMUNITY

# Off to the markets!

Capital District offers a wide variety of local shopping choices at a variety of times and places

One of our favorite things about summers in the Capital District is the large number of outdoor farmers markets that pop up right along with the warming weather, jam-packed with local fruits and veggies, honeys, artisan breads, cheese, jewelry and a variety of other locally-wrought creations and confections plied by their very creators.

Whether one prefers to visit their local Saturday farmers market regularly and make a day of it, or to pop through the closest market for some fresh sprouts or arugula on the way home to cook a meal, or both, the following is a list of our favorite local markets operating this season.

### Ballston Spa Farmers Market

**Location:** Wiswall Park, Front & Low Streets, Ballston Spa.

**Hours:** Thursdays, 3 to 6 p.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

**More info:** Thursday markets are followed by free Concerts in the Park from June 28 until August 30. Live music is featured at Saturday markets, as well as children's activities at selected markets. Cornell Cooperative Extension master gardeners will be on hand to answer gardening questions.

### Capital District Regional Market

**Location:** 381 Broadway #1, Menands.

**Hours:** Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays, 5:30 to 8 a.m.

**More info:** Farmers meet on the square to sell to each other and to retailers and restaurants; some do sell the public as well if you are willing to buy in bulk.

### Castleton-on-Hudson Artisan and Farmers Market

**Location:** Corner of 150 (Scott Ave.) and 9J (Main St.), Castleton-on-Hudson.

**Hours:** Fridays, 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

**More info:** Accepted payment is vendor-specific. Pets are welcome.

### CDPHP Farmers' & Artisans' Market

**Location:** 500 Patroon Creek Blvd., west parking lot next to SEFCU.

**Hours:** Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**More info:** Variety of vendors featuring a mix of products including produce, plants, prepared foods, and handmade gifts.

### Colonie Farmers Market at The Crossings

**Location:** Crossings Park of Colonie, 580 Albany-Shaker Rd., Loudonville.

**Hours:** Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**More info:** More than 38 vendors selling products, which range from organic produce to craft beers and more; WIC and seniors farmers' market checks accepted.



### Cook Park Farmers Market

**Location:** Cook Park, Sharon Drive, Village of Colonie.

**Hours:** Thursdays, 4 to 7 p.m.

**More info:** Live music, prepared foods. FMNP checks and WIC accepted.

### Delaware Community Farmers Market

**Location:** Albany Public Library, 331 Delaware Ave., Albany

**Hours:** Tuesdays, 4 to 7 p.m.

**More info:** Coupons and EBT cards accepted.

### Delmar Farmers Market

**Location:** Bethlehem Central Middle School, 332 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

**Hours:** Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**More info:** Featuring local, organic and natural farm products, baked goods, seafood, prepared food concessions, and local and fair trade crafts; Most vendors come from within 35 miles of the market; SNAP cards accepted; No pets or smoking, please.

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**\*Please bring a reusable cup to fill with coffee, tea, cider, and lemonade, and help cut down on waste.**

### Empire State Plaza Farmers Market

**Location:** Empire State Plaza, Madison Ave. and Eagle St., Albany.

**Hours:** Wednesdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**More info:** Food stamps accepted.

### Hudson Farmers Market

**Location:** 6th Street & Columbia Street, Hudson.

**Hours:** Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**More info:** Live music, community tent. EBT & WIC are accepted at all qualified vendors.

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■ COMMUNITY

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**Saratoga Farmers' Market**

**Location:** High Rock Park, High Rock Park Avenue, Saratoga Springs

**Hours:** Wednesdays, 3 to 6 p.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**More info:** Producer-only. EBT accepted. WIC and Senior Farmers Market coupons accepted by most vendors. Well-behaved dogs welcome.

**Schenectady Greenmarket**

**Location:** Schenectady City Hall, 105 Jay St., Schenectady.

**Hours:** Sundays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**More info:** More than sixty vendors who produce everything they sell. Live music, prepared food and fresh local produce.; EBT, credit and debit cards accepted; No pets or smoking, please; Bicyclists are

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**Location:** In front of the Lincoln Baths at 65 Broadway, Saratoga Springs.

**Hours:** Sundays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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**Troy Farmers Market**

**Location:** Monument Square, River Street, Troy.

**Hours:** Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**More info:** Nearly 100 local, producer-only vendors, and a year-round marketplace drawing upwards of 14,000 customers weekly; Products range from organic produce to artisanal soaps and more, all produced within a 100-mile radius of Troy and created by the producers themselves. Live music; Accepting debit, credit and EBT/SNAP cards.



**Tuesday Delmar Farmers Market**

**Location:** First United Methodist Church of Delmar, 428 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar.

**Hours:** Tuesdays, 2:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**More info:** Producer only market; 18 local farmers, vendors and crafters.

**Voorheesville Farmers Market**

**Location:** First United Methodist Church, 68 Maple Ave., Voorheesville.

**Hours:** Wednesdays, 3:30 to 8:30 p.m.

**More info:** Live music, more than 20 local vendors. To celebrate the market's 10th season, there will be a drawing each week for a \$10 coupon that may be used at any vendor.

**Waterford Harbor Farmers Market**

**Location:** 1 Tugboat Alley, Waterford.

**Hours:** Sundays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**More info:** Local food, live music, beautiful view; accepted payment is vendor-specific; all take cash, some take cards, SNAP, fresh checks.

*Readers: Are you aware of any great farmers' markets that aren't on this list? If so, please let us know! Email us at events@spotlightnews.com.*



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■ TOWN GOVERNMENT

# Youth Court holds annual Law Day

Event honors graduating seniors, welcomes new members

By **ALI HIBBS**  
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**B**ethlehem Youth Court, a local non-profit criminal diversion program, has announced the winners of this year's Judge Jordan Memorial Scholarship and Judge Peter C. Wenger Memorial Award.

The Judge Jordan Memorial Scholarship, which has been made possible through donations from the Bethlehem Police Supervisors Association and the Police Benevolent Association, has honored the memory of Town Justice Mark Jordan since his unexpected death from illness in 2015. Students competed by presenting oral arguments in front of a panel of judges during a combined Law Day and Induction Ceremony at Bethlehem Town Hall on Tuesday, May 8. This year's first place recipient was Moeka Suzuki and the second place winner was Ryan Fisk.

"Both recipients put forth exceptional effort and are deserving of this award," said Youth Court Director Katrina Charland.

The winner of this year's Judge Peter

C. Wenger Memorial Award, which was presented during the Bethlehem Central High School Awards Night on Wednesday, May 30, was Suzuki. Judge Wenger, who helped found BYC, died in 1997 after serving as Town Justice for 17 years.

"We congratulate our scholarship winners and wish them all the best in their future endeavors," said Charland.

Seven BYC members are set to graduate from high school this month—Suzuki, Fisk, Liam Clarke, Elizabeth Kraupner, Megan Martucci, Olivia Poust and Maevae Sheehan.

Twenty-four volunteers were also inducted as new members during the May 8 ceremony. The new volunteers, who were sworn in by Town Justice Ryan Donovan, are: Nicholas Alexander, Katie Bailey, Christopher Baker, Elliot Barrett, Anders Baum, Cameron Doyle, Hannah Felske, Sarah Fischer, Carolyn Fisk, Alyssa Gould, Remington Houck, Zachary Huang, Beatrice Jones, Andrew Kirby, Katie Kirby, Lizzy Kloss, Stacey Lee, Samantha Lefton, Jeevan Nigam, Ethan Schoenblum, Sam Sleurs, Jourdan VanAmburgh, Jack Vincelette, and Jason Wu.

These volunteers participated in an eight-week training program that consisted of approximately 24 hours of class

instruction time. They have been fully trained to participate in Youth Court hearings and perform all courtroom roles—judge, jury foreperson, clerk, victim advocate, community advocate or prosecutor, and defense advocate. The trained volunteers conduct peer-led sentencing hearings for young people in the community who have been arrested for first time, low-level offenses.

Youth Court is a voluntary program that takes cases out of criminal and family court and diverts them to Youth Court instead. Once the respondent has completed all Youth Court requirements, which includes community service, he or she is granted a clean criminal record. This restorative justice program aims to bring balance back to the community after a crime has been committed by repairing the harm that was caused and holding the offender appropriately accountable for his or her actions.



Moeka Suzuki and Ryan Fisk pose with Bethlehem Police officer Michael Berben.

Photo by BYC Director Katrina Charland



Incoming BYC members will learn how to perform all courtroom roles as they help to keep their peers from incurring criminal records.

Photo by Town Justice Andy Kirby

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STATE

# Happy Birthday

As the New York Air National Guard turns 243 years old, recruitment numbers are lowest in years

By **JIM FRANCO**  
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**COLONIE** — The U.S. Army turned 243 on Thursday, June 14 and while there was not enough room on the cake for candles in those numbers, the New York National Guard did celebrate the milestone with a traditional cake-cutting ceremony.

Maj. Gen. Raymond Shields, commander of the New York Army National Guard, said the guard has hundreds of soldiers stationed in countries around the world including Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, South Africa and many other countries “pivotal to our national security.”

But, he said, while a strong economy is a good thing, it does hurt recruitment and retention efforts.

“For the first time in many years we recently fell below

10,000 assigned soldiers,” he said. “We have made strength maintenance our number one priority and have devoted significant resources to that effort.”

As of June 1, The New York Army National Guard had 9,900 soldiers out of a possible full contingent of 10,186. It ended 2017 with 10,025 enlisted soldiers, according to its annual report, which is 100 below the authorized troop strength of 10,125 at that time. In 2010, there were 10,500 soldiers enlisted in the New York Army National Guard, according to the 2011 annual report.

The New York Air National Guard finished 2017 with 5,695 soldiers, below the 5,798 authorized in the state budget and below the 6,000 enlisted soldiers in 2010.

The party on Thursday, though, was a nod to the U.S. Army and In attendance at the state Division of Military and Naval Affairs Headquarters at the end of Wade Road were the oldest and youngest soldiers in the New York National Guard – 58-year-old Master Sgt. John Batza of Watervliet and 24-year-old Tyler

Center from Slingerlands.

Batza swerved in the Army from 1980 to 1985 and joined the National Guard in 1991. He serves as a personnel specialist in the New York National Guard’s military personnel office at the Watervliet Arsenal.

Center, who grew up in Rotterdam, enlisted in the National Guard in 2014 and is a supply specialist assigned to New York Army National Guard headquarters.

The youngest soldier represents the future of the Army while the oldest represents continuity with the Army’s history.

“Stick around. It’s been a lot of fun,” Batza said to Center after the brief 12-minute ceremony. “It’s a lot of work but it’s been a lot of fun. We have accomplished a lot in 32 years and I just love



Master Sgt. John Batza, Maj. Gen. Raymond Shields and Sgt. Tyler Center cut the birthday cake.

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what I do.”

“It seemed like the better route. I was working as an electrician and it wasn’t working out for me,” Center said, adding his uncle is in the military. “I always wanted to do it, so I signed the papers and here I am.”

It was on June 14, 1775, that the Second Continental Congress established an army to fight in the American Revolution, said Maj. Brendan Rowe during the ceremony. Essentially, the U.S. Army was formed a year before the creation of the country it defends.

This is year is also the 100th

anniversary of the end of World War I, Rowe said.

“While the Continental Army secured our freedom,” he said, “it was the Doughboys of World War I who secured our place on the world’s stage.”

That is why, he said, the theme of this year’s birthday is “Over there. A celebration of Army history from World War I to the present day.” There were more than 500,000 soldiers from New York fighting in WWI, or 12.5 percent of the total U.S. force or four million.

“The men and women who come before us from across the nation, from every walk in life, from every religious and ethnic background, are the best our nation has to offer,” he said. “And they carry on an important, hard-fought legacy, one of service and sacrifice, paid for in blood and treasure.”

To enlist in the New York National Guard an applicant must be between 17 and 35, a U.S. citizen of permanent residents, at least a junior in high school or have a high school diploma or GED, pass a written test and meet “medical, physical and moral requirements.”

## Public hearing on Glenmont roundabout June 26

**BETHLEHEM**—To reduce congestion at the intersection of Route 9W and Feura Bush/Glenmont Road in Glenmont, and to improve both vehicle and pedestrian safety, the town is moving forward with plans to build a roundabout at the intersection and to extend sidewalks along Rte 9W and Glenmont Road.

To kick off the project, the town will hold an open house and public workshop on Tuesday, June 26, at the Glenmont Elementary School at 328 Route 9W in Glenmont. The open house will run from 4 to 6:30 p.m., and the workshop will begin with a formal presentation at 6:30 p.m. and then be open for questions and comments. This is the first of three planned public forums over the next 18 months.

The open house and workshop will give residents an opportunity to learn more about the project and share insights and concerns with town staff and engineers from Creighton Manning Engineering.

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■ COUNTY GOVERNMENT

# 21st century Legislature

County legislature moves to update processes, make operations more transparent

ALBANY — County legislators have approved a resolution to amend the county budget by almost \$60,000 in order to implement an updated public information system that will make it easier for county residents to access legislation, voting records and more.

Shortly after being elected to his leadership position early this year, Chairman Andrew Joyce formed several bipartisan task forces to

address issues such as economic development and sustainability, legislative rules reform and modernizing legislative practices. He appointed Democrat Lynne Lekakis (D-Albany) and Republican Mark Grimm (R-Guilderland) to co-chair the Modernization Task Force, which was charged with reducing paper waste, implementing an electronic voting system, making member voting records more accessible

and streamlining legislative operations.

"I couldn't be more pleased with the work that Lynne and Mark have done," said Joyce in a press release on Wednesday, June 13. "Making the legislative process more accessible to the people we serve and bringing complete transparency to the Legislature are the types of changes Albany County deserves."

Joyce was elected chair at a time when party

priorities are shifting and Democratic members are increasingly focused on transparency, inclusiveness and progressive policy.

The budget amendment, approved on Monday, June 11, will allow the county to purchase Granicus hardware and software that will make legislative materials searchable by name, committee, sponsor and more, as well as provide legislators with the ability to electronically check into legislative meetings and cast votes in real time. A large screen television in the legislative chamber will allow visual aids to be utilized when discussing various issues, and each legislator will have access to his or her own iPad during legislative meetings and be able to take notes, as well as access all materials online rather than receiving a physical print-out in advance of meetings.

In addition, Granicus, the largest provider of cloud-based public sector software, will provide training for staff and legislators.

"Many of us are looking forward to helping the public obtain information, saving time and increasing efficiencies," said Lekakis. "Imagine being able to access the workings of the Legislature with a click or two. It's unlike anything the Legislature has done before."

"The overwhelming support for this resolution sends a strong message," said Grimm. "Its passage will make it easier for citizens to understand and follow what we are doing and therefore more likely to become part of the discussion." He thanked Joyce and Lekakis for their leadership.

After one-time costs

associated with hardware purchases, training and configuration, the annual cost to the county will be less than \$34,000 in each of the first three years, or during the term of agreement, and will be covered by an existing communications equipment budget line. The additional first-year costs will be covered by the approved budget amendment moving \$59,496 from the 2018 budget line for miscellaneous contractual expenses to the line budgeted for communications equipment.

The new system is expected to go live by September, following an implementation and training period.

— Ali Hibbs



Republican Mark Grimm, chair (center), and Democrat Lynne Lekakis, vice-chair (to his left), preside over the first bipartisan-led Personnel Committee meeting earlier this year, after Chair Andrew Joyce appointed the first Republicans to lead legislative committees.

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**V'ville CSD to consider law enforcement on campus**

The Albany County Sheriff's Department has made a proposal to the Voorheesville School District to have a School Resource Officer (SRO) in the school district for the 2018-19 school year. There will be a Community Forum to present and discuss this proposal on Tuesday June 26, at 7 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center at the high school/middle school campus at 432 New Salem Road in Voorheesville.

Representatives from the Sheriff's Department will present the SRO proposal, and VCSD Superintendent Brian Hunt will facilitate discussion with the community on this proposal. All parents, staff, students, and community members are encouraged to attend to discuss and ask questions about this proposal. The VCSD Board of Education will consider the Sheriff's proposal at the Board of Education meeting on Wednesday, July 11.

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■ NEW YORK STATE SUMMER GAMES

# The Special Olympics

**COLONIE** — Siena College played host to the New York State Special Olympics Summer Games on Friday and Saturday, June 15 and 16.

More than 1,500 athletes from across the state competed in a number of events at venues throughout the Capital District: Siena College, Shaker High School, Hudson Valley Community College, Boulevard Bowl and others.

Athletes train for a minimum of eight weeks and then participate in local, regional and state competitions. Athletic competitions included track and field, bowling, aquatics, tennis, powerlifting, basketball, gymnastics and volleyball.

Check out our website for more photos.

— Jim Franco



■ COMMUNITY

**Guilderland top students**

The valedictorian for the Clayton A. Bouton High School Class of 2018 with an average of 99.2 percent is Stephanie Erickson. Derek Brower was named salutatorian.

Erickson is the daughter of Dr. Cliff and Debbie Erickson of Voorheesville. Among Stephanie's extracurricular activities are National Honor Society, Student Government, Model UN, Science Olympiad and Key Club.

Brower is the son of Drs. Richard and Wendy Brower of East Berne. Among Derek's extracurricular activities are National Honor Society and Student Government.

Brower was a winner of the RPI Medal Award for excellence in math and science coursework.

**Brawn Media Granted WBE Certification**

ALBANY — Gov.

Cuomo signed the Minority and Women Owned Enterprises (MWBE) certification to increase and empower businesses owned by minorities and women. Brawn Media, now being listed on the NYS MWBE Directory of Certified Firms, will gain many partnerships with many facilities, including state agencies that must work with WBE certified businesses.

Brawn Media, a marketing agency owned and operated by Donna Brownson, was awarded the State Certification of a Women Business Enterprise (WBE) from the Division of Minority and Women's Business Development on Monday, April 9.

Brawn Media is marketing and advertising agency in Albany, NY, founded in 2009 by Donna Brownson. The agency offers many services, including traditional marketing, media buying, business development, online advertising, web design and development.

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**BCSD accepting donations of school supplies**

**BETHLEHEM** — Cleaning out lockers, backpacks, desks, and more? Donate your unused or gently used school supplies to help support the efforts of the Bethlehem Food Pantry. Each year, the pantry provides nutrition and school supplies to needy families in the community. Bethlehem Food Pantry is currently accepting school supply donations and BCSD is trying to lend a helping hand.

If you have school supplies that you would like to recycle and share, please drop them off at the main office of your child's school building between now and Thursday, June 21. Collection boxes will be available at each building and donated items will be delivered to the Bethlehem

Food Pantry at the end of the month.

Items that will be collected include: backpacks, lunchbags, pens, pencils, erasers, glue sticks, pencil sharpeners, pencil bags, highlighters, markers, tape, scissors, calculators, rulers, ruled index cards, folders, spiral notebooks, composition notebooks, loose leaf filler paper, binders of all sizes, hole punch, tabbed dividers, reinforcements, staplers, weekly planners, book covers, locker accessories and more.

**New Guilderland CSD website**

**GUILDERLAND** — Guilderland Central School District partnered with the Communications Service of Capital Region BOCES to develop and implement a new district website, based on research into how visitors use it, the kinds of information they are seeking and best practices in website usability and accessibility.

The new website offers a cleaner design with

enhanced search and navigation features. On the homepage, the new site uses large photos to showcase district students and staff, and features stories about what's happening at Guilderland schools.

"We are so excited to present this updated website," said Superintendent Dr. Marie Wiles. "The new website will provide: clear, easily accessible, valuable resource, tool, information.

The new website is divided into seven major topical links across the top of the site, allowing visitors to access more detailed sub-pages for each. (Windows with "More Information" on the sub-pages will help visitors gain quick access to the information they're seeking.)

Other elements of the homepage include an agenda-style Google calendar of upcoming events and important dates carried over from the previous site, and "Quick Links."

**From page 5 ...  
River Road**

are significantly shortening the dead end section of pipe that leads to the Wemple Road sampling site, which should improve the water quality at that location.

The estimated total cost of the project is \$900,000. Air Products has agreed to contribute the \$200,000 it would have spent on improvements, \$150,000 has been made available through the town's operating fund and the remaining \$550,000 will be paid out of the Water Fund Capital Reserve Fund rather than incurring debt.

The project is subject to permissive referendum, meaning that the public has 30 days from the date of its approval to raise any objections before the money is made available to the Department of Public Works. Objections are due to the Department by Friday, July 31.

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## From page 1 ... Troop de Cure

It is the fourth year that Troop 75 has participated in the event, raising more than \$25,000, according to Robert Pattison, a troop leader who initiated the tradition and coordinated troop and family participation.

"We have had adults and scouts in the troop who have lived with diabetes," he said. "So there's raising awareness about that, and there's also the personal fitness side. To train and get ready to do a 50-mile ride. And there's also a cycling merit badge that the scouts work on."

This year, according to Pattison, the national fundraiser added a new element allowing participants to walk or run, rather than ride a bike. Bikers had a choice of riding for 10, 30, 50, 62 or 100 miles and the run/walk route was five kilometers. Three of the Troop 75 bikers completed 62 miles: Pattison, as well as his son Alexander, and Noah Koch, both Eagle Scouts. In all, 16 participants representing Troop 75 ran, walked or cycled more than

480 miles.

"It was a great ride," said Alexander Pattison. "There were a lot of uphill, and each one of them was worth doing. I really enjoyed the rest stops, and also the big downhill towards the end! When I came back, I was so happy that I made it, along with my Dad."

"One of our adults is a Red Rider," Robert Pattison said, referring to those with diabetes who participate. Those individuals receive special red t-shirts and can join a team of others riding with the disease.

Troop 75 raised more money this year than all but one of the Family/Friend teams to participate in the Capital District event. In appreciation of their efforts, Tour de Cure hosted its members in a tent with tables and special gift baskets, according to the elder Pattison.

"It was cool," he said. "We had our troop banner out. It was like a big festival. People came out to support those who were participating and there was a live band and all these vendors and kids activities. It was a great event overall."

More than 1,200 Capital District participants, as well as 300 volunteers,



Troop 75 has raised more than \$25,000 in the past four years.

Submitted photo

sponsors and spectators, raised more than \$550,000 for diabetes research, advocacy, programming and education. All participants received a meal and event t-shirt, and were provided with bike mechanic support and medical personnel on the routes.

"This year was really fun," said Alexander Pattison. "I can't wait for next

year's Tour!"

Troop 75 is sponsored by the First United Methodist Church in Delmar, where its weekly meetings are held. Anyone interested in joining Troop 75 should email Scoutmaster Doug Kemp at scoutmaster@delmartroop75.org or visit the troop's website at <https://www.delmartroop75.org>

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SUBWAY REALTY 86 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/06/18. 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, 151 East 85th Street, Apartment 18B, New York, NY 10028. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-188052

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
SUGAR DIGGER, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/08/18. 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, 211 East 70th Street, Suite 18A, New York, NY 10021. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-188388

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
SUMNER TAXI LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/11/18.

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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, 43-10 39th Street, Sunnyside, NY 11104. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-185688

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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
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**LEGAL NOTICE TERMINAL BREWING CO., LLC**  
Notice of Formation of Limited Liability

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**Company**  
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**NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION**  
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WATERVIEW HOLDINGS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/16/18. 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 Debra J. Millman, Esq., 420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 2834, New York, NY 10170. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-185897

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WELCH WORKS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/07/18.

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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
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**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is WFBR, LLC
2. The Articles of organization of the Limited Liability Company were filed on February 21, 2018 with the New York Secretary of State.
3. The office of the Limited Liability Company is located in Albany County.
4. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served.
5. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of process served to the Limited Liability Company to 13 Paxwood Road, Delmar, NY 12054.
6. The latest date to dissolve is indefinite.
7. The purpose of the Limited Liability Company is to conduct all lawful activity. D-186128

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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
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## Government needs to step back from biz

The Albany County Legislature just passed into law a mandate that prohibits pharmacies from selling tobacco products. It's a measure that speaks against the counter-intuitive practice of selling medicines to heal one's body while also providing products known to harm it.

You will be hard pressed to find someone to argue on behalf of Big Tobacco these days. It's been more than 30 years since David Millar, also known as the Marlboro Man, died from

emphysema. Another of the stoic cowboys who pitched the brand in both magazines and television, Eric Lawson, died four years ago due to complications from chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, or COPD. Lawson parodied himself in later years in an anti-smoking commercial. He blamed smoking for his ailments.

No. You're not going to find a champion for Joe Camel and his right to sell cancer to young children anymore, but there is something to be said about the government's

involvement with business and commerce. And, that is, too much involvement can be a problem, too.

There was once the political agenda identified by the term *laissez-faire*, describing in the romanticized French language to keep government out of business. Leave it alone, and let it manage itself. This extreme way of dealing, or avoiding, industry practices that threatened workers' lives and allowed corporations to price gauge and handcuff consumers was popular in the 18th century. It also

serves as an example that too little involvement by government to police and regulate business can lead to bigger problems.

When we factor in that CVS, the largest pharmacy within the Capital District, stopped selling tobacco products four years ago, this law won't cause a ripple within the community.

However, the State Capitol needs to look hard at its proposal to eliminate the minimum wage tip credit. Servers make a minimum wage that falls dollars below the commonly known

minimum wage for most workers. But, that difference is made up, and then some, by tips. The state is also looking at eliminating tips. Our question is, has the state asked what local business wants?

We have watched local business owners close doors because of the hike in minimum wages. We see major chains taking steps to eliminate service staff all together because of recent legislation. It's time to step back because some of these recent laws are only hurting the people they are supposed to be helping.

## Support library and buy Community Bag

We have some very exciting news! Hannaford

Supermarkets has chosen The Friends of the Voorheesville Library as a beneficiary of the Hannaford Helps Reusable Bag Program! For the entire month of July, every time a Community Bag is purchased at the Voorheesville Hannaford, the FOVL will receive \$1! This is a great opportunity for the Friends, and an easy way for you to show your support for the Library. Please go to the Voorheesville store, find the reusable bag rack and buy a bag. And remember to spread the word – the more bags purchased, the bigger



the donation to the Friends.

### Hamilteens

Do you know every word in the Hamilton musical songs? Come belt it out at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 26, accompanied by the instrumental soundtrack along with other fans. Refreshments will be served. Grades 7 and up to college-age; please register.

### Magic: The Gathering

Magic is the world's most popular strategy card



game. Throughout the course of a match, players will cast devastating spells, summon creatures of legend and wield powerful artifacts to best their opponents in a battle of wits. Bring

your battle deck at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, July 2 and work your Magic on other collectors. Free decks are available for beginners; come learn to play! Already know how? Come find

new opponents. Students in grades 7 to 12, please register.

### Holiday Closing

In observation of Independence Day, the Library will be closed on Wednesday, July 4. Regular hours will resume on Thursday, July 5.

Registering for programs helps us to determine supply needs. Unless otherwise indicated, registration is requested for all programs. You can register in person, by phone (518) 765-2791 or using our online calendar at <http://voorheesvillelibrary.org/calendar.asp>.

— Lynn Kohler

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# Libraries rock the summer reading

It's finally here! Summer Reading sign-up begins this week, and this year's theme – Libraries Rock! – promises a lively summer of concerts, programs, crafts, reading and more. Reporting for prizes begins July 2.

Sign up online at [www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org](http://www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org) or in person, and check out upcoming programs on our website or in the July/August edition of the Footnotes newsletter. Preschoolers are invited to join the Rubber Ducky club to get started on early literacy activities for the summer and beyond!

Summer reading isn't just for kids

We don't think adults should be left out of all the summer reading fun, and that's why we have a special Summer Reading Program for the 18 and over set. Register online at [www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org](http://www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org).



org or visit the Information Desk to find out how you can record your reading adventures on our new online Bingo card for a chance to win great prizes.

### Make you mark

Our Summer Reading bookmark contest is now open to all ages as well, so break out those colored markers and get drawing!

Please use original art only and nothing computer-generated. Entries will be accepted through Aug. 31. Contest entries will be judged anonymously by library staff, and winners will be announced online and in the library in late September. Winning bookmark designs will be printed for distribution in the library.

Pick up an entry form at the library or find it with the Summer Reading information online at [www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org](http://www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org).

### Let's get it started

We love getting our Summer Reading Program started off right, so this year we've invited Sylvia the Ventriloquist to kick things off with some serious silliness on Thursday, June 21. Sylvia tours throughout the world with her Magic Trunk, a well-traveled box inhabited by a bunch of quick-witted puppets and inanimate objects that she comically brings to life through ventriloquism. There will be shows at 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. so you can pick the time that works best for your family. Don't forget to sign up for the Summer Reading Program while you're here!

Our Summer Cinema



Sylvia the Ventriloquist and some friends from the Magic Trunk will kick off summer reading with their silly antics Thursday, June 21, at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. Submitted photo

series for kids and families begins the following day, Friday, June 22, with a showing of "Ferdinand" (PG, 108 min., 20th Century Fox), at 2:30 p.m. Watch the adventures of the bull with a big heart, who is determined to find his way home with the help of some

fellow misfits.

### Save the date

For the third summer in a row, the library will transform into an 18-hole miniature golf course on Sunday, July 8, from 1-5 p.m. Golfers of all ages,

from pros to duffers, can enjoy this favorite family pastime inside the library's delightfully climate-controlled environs. This program is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Mark your calendar and stay tuned for more information!

— Kristen Roberts

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# Family Concert with Heard World Jazz



Heard will perform a delightful family-friendly concert at the Library the evening of Friday, June 29.

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Come to GPL on Friday, June 29, at 6 p.m., and enjoy a family concert that will awaken your ears, enliven your heart, and even get you up and dancing! Heard will present their

original and traditional world music repertoire, with influences from West Africa, Brazil, the Middle East, and places in between and points beyond. Their multimedia concert will be interactive, so be prepared to move, groove, and learn

something new about our world and its diverse soundscape.

## Rock Summer Reading

On Thursday, June



28, starting at 6 p.m., the Guilderland Library ROCKS SUMMER READING!

“Libraries Rock!” is this year’s theme, and we have a wonderful summer planned, one packed with activities, crafts, programs and, of course, books. When you come to our Rockin’ Sign-Up not only will you get details about all the great events and concerts, but you can also Build-Your-Own Ice Cream Sundae! The ice cream is being served up by some super scoopers. It’s going to be a great kick-off!

If you don’t already have a Summer Reading brochure, you can pick one up at the library. And you

can check the Library’s Program calendar at guilderlandlibrary.org to see what’s coming up in July and August.

## “Tinker to Evers to Chance”

If you’re a baseball fan, there is a double-header coming up on Saturday, June 30, that you just can’t miss.

It starts at 2 p.m. at the Library when author David Rapp, retired editor of Congressional Quarterly, discusses his new book *Tinker to Evers to Chance: The Chicago Cubs and the Dawn of Modern America*. Rapp’s book details the career of Johnny Evers, Troy native and Hall-of-

Fame Second Baseman on the Cubs, who was one third of “a trio of bear cubs, fleetier than birds” who were amazingly efficient at turning double plays.

The second part of our double-header is that you’re invited to come to Valley Cats Stadium for a 7 p.m. game when the Cats take on the Hudson Valley Renegades. Not only is it a great baseball game, but it’s Star Wars Night (wear your Star Wars gear, and mingle with your favorite Star Wars characters) and FIREWORKS follow the game. Discounted tickets are just \$10, available exclusively at the Library. There is a limited amount of tickets left, so get yours now.

— Mark Curiale

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**PICK OF THE WEEK**



**Release show**

Rechorduroys will throw a release show for its full-length debut album at the River Street Pub, on Friday June 22, at 8 p.m.

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# Going home

There's more to baseball, and a trip to Cooperstown, than just a game

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**  
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**O**n the morning of Father's Day, someone posts a clip from the movie "Field of Dreams" on the Facebook page for the Institute for Baseball Studies with an innocuous statement wishing all dads a good day.

"It's getting awfully dusty in here," replies one reader, followed by a tear emoji.

"Every... Damn... Time," states another, referencing the punch to the gut that always follows once reaching the end of the Kevin Costner film.

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A bust of pitching great Christy Mathewson looks off into the distance as a painting of Babe Ruth in the background captures the slugger as he postures in his famous "Called Shot" during Game 3 of the 1932 World Series against the Chicago Cubs.

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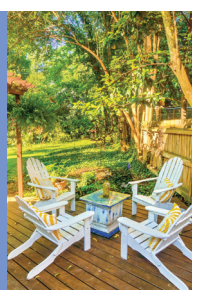


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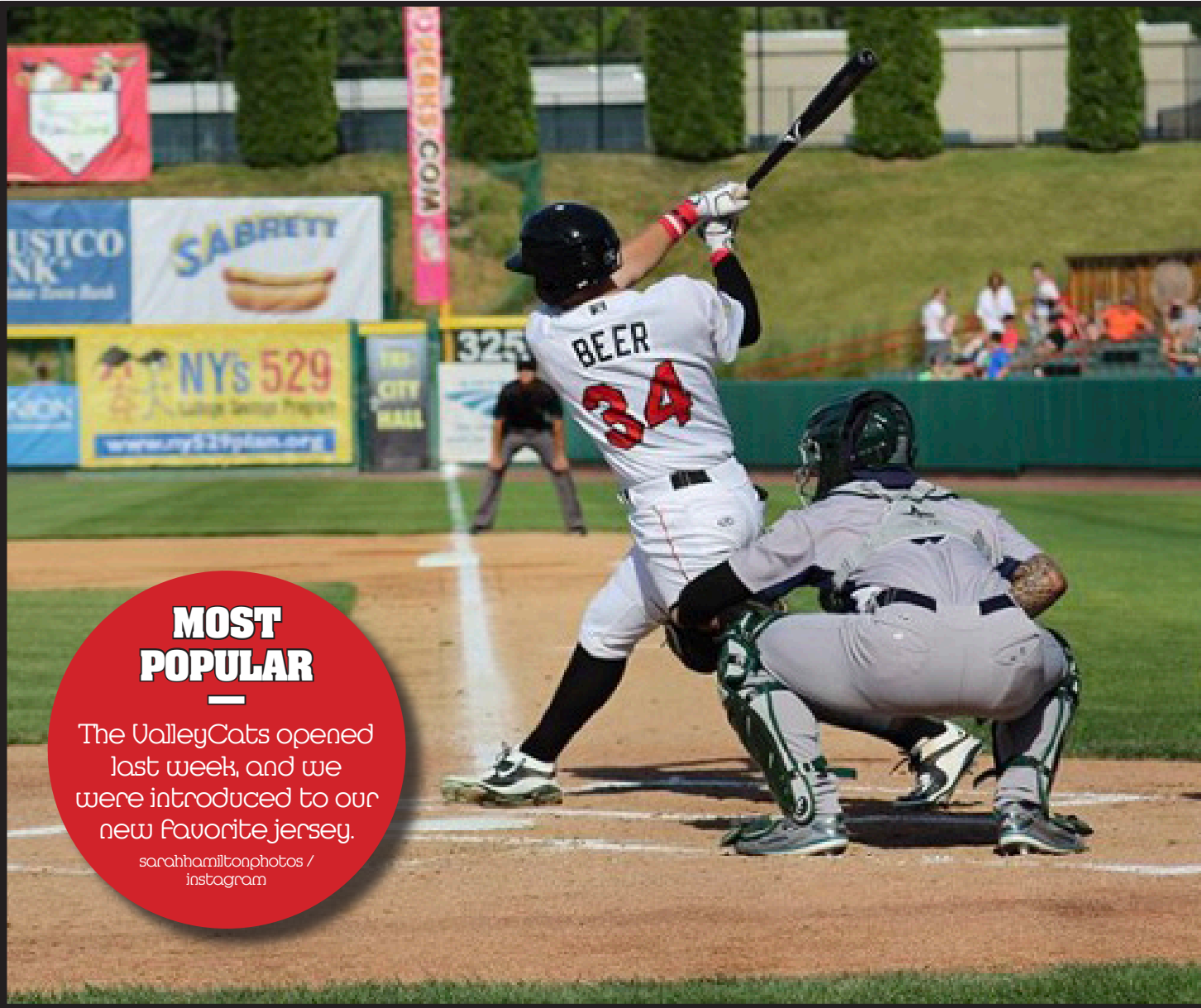
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## RECENTLY ANNOUNCED

# Opera Saratoga opens next week

David Alan Miller conducts a 'winning double bill' featuring premieres of *Rocking Horse Winner* and the a new edition of *Vinkensport*

**SARATOGA SPRINGS** — Lawrence Edelson, Opera Saratoga's artistic and general director, is preparing for another exciting season.

The company's 2018 Summer Festival will feature new productions starting with the popular "The Merry Widow," opening Friday, June 29, at 7:30 p.m.

"The Merry Widow," which was originally composed in 1905, ushered in a new era of operettas in which the waltz was used for romantic plot purposes, and was danced as much as sung. Opera Saratoga's new production continues the company's Opera-in-Motion initiative, in which dance is prominently integrated into one production each summer.

"The Merry Widow" will be directed and choreographed by John de los Santos, and conducted by Anthony Barrese, both making their company debuts. Soprano Cecilia Violetta López (Beatrice in *Il Postino*, 2016) returns to star in the title role, alongside the company debuts of baritone Alex Lawrence as Danilo, tenor Scott Quinn as Camille, and the return of baritone Andy Papas as Baron Zeta.

The second production of the season will be a double bill of contemporary operas that revolve around themes of obsession, desire, competition and the need to win as seen through the lens of two very different sports — thoroughbred horse racing, and finch sitting. David Alan Miller, the Grammy Award-winning Music Director of the Albany Symphony, will join the company to lead this special production.

The first half of the double bill will be the world premiere of a new chamber version of "Vinkensport." Originally commissioned by Dawn Upshaw for the Graduate Vocal Arts Program at the Bard Conservatory, where it premiered in February of 2010, this opera was one of the earliest collaborations between David T. Little and Royce Vavrek, whose critically acclaimed works also include "JFK and Dog Days."

"Vinkensport" is a bittersweet comedy in one act that explores the nature of competition and the need to win through the frame of an obscure Flemish folk sport, Finch-Sitting. We see a motley assortment of contestants battle to see who has the most melodious bird. As they compete, the joys, sorrows, delusions and all-too-stark realities of their trainers are revealed. The second half of the double bill will feature the American premiere of "Rocking Horse Winner."

This critically acclaimed chamber opera by Gareth Williams and Anna Chatterton received its world premiere last season at Tapestry Opera in Toronto. A modern adaptation of D.H. Lawrence's short story,

"Rocking Horse Winner" explores the relationship between Paul and his emotionally distant mother. Paul becomes dangerously obsessed with solving the "bad luck" of his family in order to win his mother's love. His pursuit awakens a strange magic that connects him not only to luck, but also to powerful voices only he can hear — voices that tell him which horses will win at the track. *Rocking Horse Winner* is an intimate, psychological look at love, "luck", and greed. Internationally acclaimed tenors Scott Quinn and Tyler Nelson are featured in this double-bill, alongside members of Opera Saratoga's nationally acclaimed Young Artist Program — the second oldest mentorship program for emerging opera singers in the country, under the leadership of Laurie Rogers. The production will prominently feature these gifted singers as part of Opera Saratoga's commitment to providing emerging professional artists with important performing opportunities to advance their careers. The production will be directed by Michael Hidetoshi Mori in his company debut.

Winner of both the New York Drama Critic Circle award as the Best Musical Play and the Pulitzer Prize in Music in 1950, "The Consul" is an American masterpiece that ran on Broadway for eight months before premiering at La Scala, followed by productions at opera houses around the globe. Olin Downes hailed the Broadway premiere in *The New York Times* as "a smash hit" and "an opera of eloquence, momentousness, and intensity of expression...written from the heart, with a blazing sincerity and a passion of human understanding. It is torn out of the life of the present-day world, and poses an issue which mercilessly confronts humanity today. And this is done with a new wedding of the English language with music in a way which is singable, intensely dramatic and poetic by turns, and always of beauty." Almost 70 years later, Gian Carlo Menotti's riveting opera still delivers a punch as powerful and timely as its subject matter — the struggle for freedom against oppression, and the maddening nature of unrelenting bureaucracy.

Last seen at Opera Saratoga in 1984, "The Consul" remains as timely as when it was written, taking on renewed relevance for contemporary audiences. Artistic and General Director Lawrence Edelson directs this new production, conducted by Andrew Bisantz. The production will feature two distinguished alumni of Opera Saratoga's Young Artist Program who have become fast-rising stars: soprano Meghan Kasanders, and mezzo soprano Jennifer Panara. Critically acclaimed artists making their debuts with Opera Saratoga in this production include mezzo soprano Deborah Nansteel, tenor Tyler Nelson, and baritone Wes Mason.

The complete performance schedule for the 2018 Summer Festival is available online. Subscription Packages and Single Tickets are now on sale. For more information, please visit [www.operasaratoga.org](http://www.operasaratoga.org).

## WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW



### Harley Rendezvous 40th Anniversary Indian Lookout Country Club — Wednesday, June 20 to Saturday, June 23

**PATTERSONVILLE** — Four days of fun in the sun with loud music and louder motorcycles at Harley Rendezvous at Indian Lookout Country Club starting Wednesday, June 20, at 11 a.m.

The four-day festival is celebrating 40 years and has grown to be a haven for motorcycle enthusiasts throughout the Northeast.

For tickets and information, visit [harleyrendezvous.com](http://harleyrendezvous.com).

Indian Lookout Country Club is located at 1142 Batter Street in Pattersonville.

### Funk Night: Haley Jane & Friends Parish Public House — Thursday, June 21

**ALBANY** — It's a night of funk and soul as Haley Jane invites her friends to Parish Public House for a night of music on Thursday, June 21, at 8 p.m.

Jane is joined by Michelangelo Carubba, Beau Sasser, Justin Henricks and Daniel Lawson.

Doors open at 8 p.m. and music starts at 9 p.m.

Tickets cost \$12.61. For tickets and information, visit [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com).

Parish Public House is located at 388 Broadway in Albany.

### Devastation of the Weekend Chrome Food & Spirits — Friday, June 22

**WATERFORD** — A two-day death metal festival promises to wreck your weekend at Chrome Food & Spirits starting Friday, June 22, at 5 p.m.

On Friday and Saturday, the Capital District's premier place for heavy metal music is featuring more than a dozen area bands presented by Upstate Black n Blue. Aborted, Psycroptic, Ingested, Disemtombed, Arkaik, Venom Prison, Sings of the Swarm and Balor are to perform on Friday. Atricial Brain, Dysentery, Incontinence, Tyrannize, Invoke Thy Wrath, and Axe to Grind will play on Saturday. Music for each day starts at 5 p.m.

A ticket for both days costs \$25, one-day tickets cost \$20.

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### Going home

It's that clip. The often used tool of ignorance wielded by repeat offenders of the unofficial edict that states men do not cry. A benign movie, really, but it ranks among the top tearjerkers for guys in cinematic history. According to Ranker.com, it sits somewhere between "The Notebook" and "Brian's Song." But, it's that final scene. It's the hook that gets every baseball fan. And, like a fine bottle of whiskey, it only packs a harder punch as we get older. The answer to Ray Kinsella's "Who?" when confronted with the phantasmal statement, "If you build it, he will come."

A son playing catch with his father.  
*Hold on.*

*Just give me a second.*

Baseball is the common denominator to each complex equation that defines who we are as individuals. Black. White. Girl. Boy. Mexican. American. Most of us have played the game, or a variant of it, in our lives. Just, for some of us, we choose to hang on to this intangible force that tethers us to an ideal way of life. A game, played within a structure and form that has seldom changed in more than a century, is the blueprint to Utopia. It hasn't always been pretty, excluding others for a time, but when it has, it has created lasting memories that help bridge people together.

It sounds like a religion; and for some, it is. For those who feel so passionately for the game, Cooperstown is Mecca. Each year, nearly 300,000 people set a pilgrimage to rural Otsego County with the intent to pay homage to the demigods of the past enshrined at the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum.

Cooperstown is the crown jewel of Otsego County, and not necessarily because of baseball. The village sits on the southern shores of beautiful Otsego Lake. Though its 10-square miles may be dwarfed by Lake George's 45-square miles, its shores are virtually untouched by commercial real estate, allowing one to take in a nearly pristine view of the region.

From the Capital District, the trip is roughly 90-minutes long; about an hour

down I-88, and another half hour north on NYS Route 28. All the while, it's a scenic trip through scores of farmlands and quaint townships reminiscent of how our most of the Capital District looked before the great urban sprawl. That setting enhances the time travel experience you're bound to feel once you ultimately enter the Hall of Fame.

Because of its close proximity, it's easy to take Cooperstown for granted. Outside of the Capital District, however, people seek it out. There's Ommegang Brewery, Glimmerglass and The Fenimore Art Museum. People may even make the connection between the village name and its once famous resident, "Last of the Mohicans" author James Fenimore Cooper. Nonetheless, the area is steeped in baseball magic, and that's the kind of crowd you will compete against for parking and walking space on the sidewalks that skirt Main Street.

During the summer, Main Street is teeming with Little Leaguers, each with a dual purpose — first, it is to see the Hall; second, it's to play ball. Since 1996, youth baseball teams from across the nation have come to play at Cooperstown Dreams Park. It's a complex that now includes more than 20 ballfields. Teams apply to play in one of its continuous tournaments months in advance. The daily action on those fields bubble over into the village, where players, coaches, friends and family go to eat and seek entertainment during their down time. Of course, it all comes to a head on Hall of Fame weekend, which falls at the end of July as more players are enshrined. Note: If you don't have hotel reservations now, you'll be staying in Cobleskill.

A visit to Cooperstown requires the purchase of a baseball cap. There are plenty of souvenirs to purchase, either in the museum's gift shop or the several shops that line up and down Main Street. But, a baseball cap is a must. The best collection of caps — including those found in the museum — is across the street at Mickey's Place.

The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum is located at 25 Main Street in Cooperstown. For more information on the museum and surrounding locations, visit [baseballhall.org](http://baseballhall.org).





Photo by Bryan Lasky

**PICK OF THE WEEK**

# Rechorduroys drop album on Friday

**TROY** — Rechorduroys will throw a release show for its full-length debut album at the River Street Pub, on Friday June 22, at 8 p.m.

Rechorduroys formed over two years ago, shortly after the dissolution of Benjamin Garrett's previous band Party Boat and a relocation to the Collar City. Constantly writing new music, Garrett had no lack of material to use with a new group of musicians. The band has

since become a common name around the Capital District's music scene.

The band's forthcoming self-titled album has been a long time in the works. Recorded and produced by Troy Pohl (best known for his work with Sean Rowe), every part and tone feels like it was put together with the utmost thought and attention, while keeping Garrett's pop sensibilities and relatable lyrics in the forefront. From tracks full of lush

layers of surf-tinged guitars and harmonies that feel hopeful, to some that are catchy, concise and full of energy, to a closing track that will have you realizing you're totally lost in a wall of sound, it's a record that has a lot to offer.

The album was officially released earlier this month on the newly launched local label Five Kill Records. Currently the album's opening track "Two Stones" is available on Spotify and Bandcamp

## Dylan Storm Benefit Show

**TROY** — The Capital District music scene is rallying together to raise money for its own.

Paradox Saints, Gordon Street, Avenue A, Forest Park, and Ryan Leddick Trio are a few of the names already announced for a full slate of music at River Street Pub scheduled for Sunday, June 24, at 5 p.m.

Funds from the evening go towards helping Dylan Storm, of Sly Fox and The Hustlers, whose family suffered material losses from a house fire.

A \$10 minimum donation will be collected at the door.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW

### Alive at Five: Matisyahu

**Jennings Landing — Thursday, June 21**

**ALBANY** — The Capital City continues its weekly concert series with Matisyahu on Thursday, June 21, at 5 p.m.

Matisyahu marries reggae, rock and hip hop beatboxing with Orthodox Jewish themes — and did so with his 2005 Top 40 hit, "King Without a Crown."

Admission is free as part of the city's Alive at Five concert series. Music begins at 5 p.m. For more information, visit [albanyevents.org](http://albanyevents.org).

Jennings Landing is located at the base of the foot bridge spanning over I-787 in Albany.

### Alive After Five

**The Upper Room — Thursday, June 21**

**ALBANY** — The Upper Room continues to throw it's weekly after party following Alive at Five each Thursday, starting at 8 p.m.

Each week features live music entertainment just a short walk away from Jennings Landing.

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

The Upper Room is located at 59 No. Pearl St. in Albany.

### Tragedy with Hot Cousin

**The Hollow Bar + Kitchen — Saturday, June 23**

**ALBANY** — The marriage of disco and metal is not subtle, as one will find at The Hollow Bar + Kitchen on Saturday, June 23, starting at 8 p.m.

Tragedy is the all-metal tribute to the Bee Gees, flipping the Gibb brothers on their fluffy heads as the band exerts its creative license on several hits of the past.

Hot Cousin opens the night with covers from the '80s.

Tickets cost \$13.65 under an Early Bird special that ends Saturday, June 23. For tickets and information, visit [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com).

The Hollow Bar + Kitchen is located at 79 No. Pearl St. in Albany.

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Monday's event features two episodes of "Alfred Hitchcock Presents," and a previously unaired pilot of "The Outer Limits." It's 90 minutes of television, with two intermissions, for the audience to enjoy.

Tickets cost \$9 for adults and \$6 for seniors and students. For tickets and information, visit [proctors.org](http://proctors.org).

Proctors is located at 432 State St. in Schenectady.

**◀ Day: Adirondack Food and Wine Festival**

**Charles R Wood Festival Commons — Saturday, June 23 and Sunday, June 24**

**LAKE GEORGE** — The 2018 Adirondack Wine & Food Festival will be held Saturday, June 23, and Sunday, June 24, at Charles R. Wood Festival Commons.

The fourth-annual, family friendly wine and food tasting event will feature more than 85 of the finest New York state wine producers, craft beverage makers, artisan food vendors, food trucks and more.

One-day tickets cost \$35 at the gate, which includes sampling at all booths, a souvenir wine glass, a festival entry bag and a program guide. Two-day passes cost \$47, which includes everything, but for two days. VIP packages are also available.

Charles R. Wood Festival Commons is located at 17 West Brook Road in Lake George.

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**WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW**

**Get Up Jack**

**The Rusty Anchor — Friday, June 22**

**WATERVLIET** — Get your Irish up as Get Up Jack performs at The Rusty Anchor on Friday, June 22, at 8 p.m.

Mike DeAngelis, John Haggerty, Scott Apicelli, Crick Diefendorf, Doug Johnson and Tom Pirozzi comprise one of the best area bands to play traditional Irish music.

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

The Rusty Anchor is located at 1 Selke Drive in Watervliet.

**Will Foley Music**

**On Tap Bar and Restaurant — Friday, June 22**

**LATHAM** — Will Foley Music is the next featured musical act for the Patio Concert Series 2018 at On Tap Bar and Restaurant on Friday, June 22, starting at 6 p.m.

Will Foley is a local singer, songwriter and poet who is influenced by the masters of Hootie, Bob Seger, Arlo Guthrie and KISS.

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

On Tap Bar and Restaurant is located at 400 Old Loudon Road in Latham.

**Ja Rule & Ashanti (featuring Lloyd)**

**Palace Theatre — Friday, June 22**

**ALBANY** — Ja Rule and Ashanti will perform at the Palace Theatre on Friday, June 22, starting at 8 p.m.

Ticket prices range from \$48 to \$123. For tickets and information, visit [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com).

The Palace Theatre is located at 19 Clinton Avenue.





**Blues for Breakfast**

Grateful Dead cover band returns to perform at Rockin' on the River. Wed., June 27, 5 p.m. Riverfront Park, River and Front streets, Troy. Free. (518) 279-7997 or www.downtowntroy.org

**Moriah Formica**

The teenage rock and roll singer/songwriter who gained a massive following both locally and abroad as a contestant on Season 13 of NBC's "The Voice" performs for this installment of the Freedom Park Concert Series. Held rain or shine. Wed., June 27, at 7 p.m. Freedom Park, Schonowee Avenue, Scotia. Free. www.FreedomParkScotia.com

**JAZZ IS PHS**

A collective of musicians from the jazz and jam scene who have come together to reimagine the music of Phish. Wed., June 27, at 7:30 p.m. Swyer Theatre, The Egg Performing Arts Center, Empire State Plaza, Albany. \$22. (518) 473-1845 or tickets.theegg.org

**Keith Urban**

Australian country singer brings his "Graffiti U" tour to town. American country pop singer/songwriter Kelsea Ballerini, opens. Wed., June 27, at 7:30 p.m. Amphitheatre, Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga Spa State Park, 108 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs. Lawn tickets, \$38.50; amphitheater tickets sold out. More details and link to purchase tickets at spac.org/event/keith-urban or order tickets by phone at (800) 745-3000. No refunds or exchanges.

**Peg Delaney**

The jazz pianist who draws from American, Latin and Brazilian idioms headlines this week's Jazz on Jay Concert Series. Thurs., June 28, noon. Jay Street Pedestrian Mall, downtown Schenectady. (Rain location: Robb Alley at Proctors). Free. (518) 573-2922.

**B.B. King Blues Band feat. Tito Jackson**

The band which defined blues to the world headlines this week's Alive at 5, with a classics from B.B. King, The Jackson 5 and The Jacksons alive. The Age, a soul artist from upstate New York opens. Thurs., June 28, 5 p.m. Jennings Landing, 1 Quay St., Albany. (Rain location: Corning Preserve Boat Launch, Albany.) Free. (518) 434-2032 or www.albanyevents.org

**Emily Teller**

The Saratoga-Springs based acoustic rock singer songwriter starts off this year's Ballston Spa Concerts in the Park series presented by the Ballston Spa Business & Professional Association. Thurs., June 28, at 6 p.m. Wiswall Park, Ballston Spa. Free.

**Erin Harpe & The Delta Swingers**

The Boston-based electrified delta blues, boogie and soul band let by the fishnet-wearing guitarist headlines tonight's Rock the Block Summer Concert. Get ready to dance the night away to some of your all-time favorite songs! Thurs., June 28, 6:30 p.m. Canal Square, 72 Remsen St., Cohoes. Free. www.cohoes.com

**Diva and the Dirty Boys**

Enjoy an evening of rock 'n roll, blues and more from the 1960s and 1970s. Part of Niskayuna's 2018 Summer Concert Series. Thurs., June 28, at 7 p.m. Gazebo, Town Hall, 1 Niskayuna Circle, Niskayuna. Free. www.niskayuna.org/home/news/concerts-gazebo

**New York Players**

This popular Capital District wedding and party band performs as part of the Guilderland Performing Arts Center Summer Concert Series. Thurs., June 28, at 7:30 p.m. Tawasentha Park, Free. (518) 456-3150

**VickiKristinaBarcelona**

Rachelle Garniez, Amanda Homi, and Terry Radigan make up this power trio dedicated to re-imagining the songs of Tom Waits via gorgeous three-part harmonies and a treasure trove of instruments including banjos, bottles and bells, creating a world of sound at once powerful, playful and

poignant. Thurs., June 28, 8 p.m. The Linda; WAMC's Performing Arts Studio, 339 Central Ave., Albany. \$15. (518) 465-5233 or www.thelinda.org/event/vickikristinabarcelona

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**Imagine Dragons**

Alt rock band brings its Evolve World Tour to the Spa City. Singer songwriter Grace Vanderwaal, who often accompanies herself on ukulele, opens. Fri., June 29, at 7 p.m. Amphitheatre, Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga Spa State Park, 108 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs. Lawn tickets, \$35; extremely limited number of amphitheater tickets remain; prices range from \$140 to \$409; VIP packages available. More details and link to purchase tickets at spac.org/event/imagine-dragons or order tickets by phone at (800) 745-3000. No refunds or exchanges.

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Prolific composer and prodigious six-string guitar player performs as part of his Notorious-Opus Electric Tour 2018/2019, playing songs from his albums Elegant Gypsy to Opus and more. Brand X opens. Fri., June 29, at 8 p.m. Hart Theatre, The Egg Performing Arts Center, Empire State Plaza, Albany. \$39.50 to \$79.40; VIP ticket package available also available; details at www.theegg.org/event/al-dimeola-notorious-opus-electric-tour. (518) 473-1845 or tickets.theegg.org

**Jazz Institute Student Concert**

Participants in this year's Skidmore Jazz Institute perform. Fri., June 29, at 8 p.m. Ladd Hall, Zankel Music Center, Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Free. (518) 580-5321 or www.skidmore.edu/zankel/ticketsevents.php

**Rusticator**

Get an early start to your Independence Day celebrations with a concert by this Acoustic Americana band. Held rain or shine. Fri., June 29, at 8 p.m., followed by fireworks display. Freedom Park, Schonowee Avenue, Scotia. Free. www.FreedomParkScotia.com

**Bela Fleck and the Flecktones**

The American band that combines jazz and bluegrass music. Fri., June 29, at 8 p.m. Koussevitzky Music Shed, Tanglewood Music Center, 297 West St., Lenox, Mass. Lawn seats, \$33; shed seats (limited availability) start at \$49 and \$69. (888) 266-1200 or www.bso.org/Performance/Detail/93834; click on the appropriate link under the BUY TICKETS banner

**Journeyman**

The inaugural season of Harbor Jam Concert Series continues with a performance by this Eric Clapton tribute. Sat., June 30, at 6 p.m. Mohawk Harbor Amphitheater, Rivers Casino & Resort, 1 Rush St. Schenectady. Free. (518) 579-8800 or riverscasinoandresort.com

**Ry Cooder and Emmylou Harris**

The American musician, songwriter, record producer and film score composer known for his slide guitar skill shares the bill with the Grammy-Award winning folk, alternative and country songbird. Sat., June 30, at 2:30 p.m. Koussevitzky Music Shed, Tanglewood Music Center, 297 West St., Lenox, Mass. Lawn seats, \$33; shed seats (limited availability) start at \$49 and \$69. (888) 266-1200 or www.bso.org/Performance/Detail/93834; click on the appropriate link under the BUY TICKETS banner

**7 Bridges Road**

Seven of the area's finest vocalists and musicians come together to form this tribute to The Eagles. Part of the Town of Clifton Park Performing Arts at the Common series. Sun., July 1, at 7 p.m. Held rain or shine. Clifton Common, Vischer Ferry Road, Clifton Park. Free. (518) 371-6667 or www.cliftonpark.org

**Lustre Kings**

Enjoy a night of roots rock by this internationally-renowned rockabilly band. Presented as part of the Tuesday Nights in the Park 2018 concert series. Tues., July 3, at 6:30 p.m. Frank A. Leak Amphitheater, Cook Park, Shambrook Parkway, Colonie. Free. (518) 218-7782 or www.colonievillage.org/amphitheater

**Vince Neil**

After an epic 34-year run with Mötley Crüe, Neil continues to perform the band's classic hits and even some of his own solo album hits at venues all over the world. His natural talent and passion for performing is sure to light up the Electric City. Mullett, the Premier Rockers for hair band fanatics, will open by recreating classics from the 80's, with authentic sights and sounds from a generation that knew how to rock. Tues., July 3; doors at 7 p.m. for 8 p.m. show. Events Center, Rivers Casino & Resort, 1 Rush St., Schenectady. General admission, \$35; reserved seats range from \$45 to \$65. Tickets available through the Proctors Box Office: (518) 346-6204 or tickets.proctors.org. Venue information: (518) 579-8800 or www.riverscasinoandresort.com

**MUSIC FESTIVALS****38th Annual****Old Songs Folk Festival**

Family-friendly festival of folk, traditional, Celtic and world music and dance, known for its relaxed atmosphere, interactive sessions and workshops, hands-on experience and participatory nature. Features concerts, workshops and dances plus a juried craft show, food and instrument vendors, and a well-run children's activity area. Featured performers include Happy Traum, Jim Kveskin, Low Lily, Jerron "Blind Boy" Paxton, Bon Débaras, Ellis, Choc'late, Mavish, The Gaslight Tinkers, and Christine Lavin. Fri., June 22 through Sun., June 24, Altamont Fairgrounds 129 Grand St. (State Route 146), Altamont. Full-festival, single day, evening, and combination ticket packages are available for adults, seniors, children and students. Full schedule of events and ticket packages at festival. oldsongs.org

**41st Annual Freihofer's Saratoga Jazz Festival**

Celebrate the start of summer with this two-day, two stage festival nestled in a spectacular park setting. Headliners include Christ Botti, Herbie Hancock, Joey Alexander, Jon Batiste with The Dap Kings, Gregory Porter and many more. Sat., June 23, and Sun., June 24; performances begin both days at 11 a.m. Amphitheater and Charles R. Wood "Jazz Discovery" Stage, Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga Spa State Park, 108 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs. Full performance schedule and available ticket packages at www.spac.org/event/freihofer-saratoga-jazz-festival/

**THEATER****'The Almost True and Truly Remarkable Adventures of Israel Potter'**

The captivating novel by Herman Melville has been transformed into a rollicking play by Joe Bravaco and Larry Rosler. Join young Israel as he goes from a small New England town to the American Revolution to motherland England and back again. Along the way he meets historical figures, falls in love, fights the British, becomes a spy, escapes imminent death a few times and sings a few songs. Through Sun., June 24. Shows: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights at 7 p.m.; 2

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p.m. matinee performances on Thursdays and Sundays. Oldcastle Theatre Company, 331 Main St., Bennington, Vt. Tickets range from \$13.41 to \$68.27 (inc. fees). (802) 447-0564 or [www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3400387](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3400387)

**'Chess Match No. 5'**

Will Bond and Ellen Lauren star in SIT's theatrical homage to avant garde composer John Cage. Cage's own documented words are shaped into a conversation taking place in a single night over a chess game. The actors brew coffee, make toast, play chess, and engage in several other acts of meaningless stage business while debating the purpose, shape, and proper interpretation of music and art. It's a thought-provoking catch-22 that keeps you on the hook for the entire evening. Fri., June 22, at 7:30 p.m. Janet Kinghorn Bernhard Theater, Zankel Music Center, Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Adults, \$8; seniors and students, \$5. (518) 580-5321

or [www.skidmore.edu/zankel](http://www.skidmore.edu/zankel) and click on Buy Tickets Online

**Damn Yankees'**

Park Playhouse continues its 30th Anniversary season with this Broadway mega-hit, which won seven Tony Awards, including Best Musical. Joe Boyd, a middle-aged baseball fanatic, trades his soul to the Devil, also known as Mr. Applegate, for a chance to lead his favorite team to victory in the pennant race against the New York Yankees. Young baseball sensation Joe Hardy transforms the hapless Washington Senators into a winning team, only to realize the true worth of the life that he's left behind. But can he reverse the deal and return home to his wife? Or will he be stuck for all eternity? Opens Fri., June 29, and runs through Sat., July 28. Shows: Tuesdays through Sundays, at 8 p.m.; No performance on Wed., July 4. Performances may be cancelled due to inclement weather; visit website for latest weather information and cancellation

policies. Albany Medical Center Stage, historic Washington Park, Main Entrance at intersection of Madison and New Scotland Avenues. Table seats, \$25; Center section, \$20; Side section, \$18. Group rates also available. Amphitheatre lawn seating is free; patrons may hold their spot beginning at noon on each performance day. (518) 434-0776 or [www.parkplayhouse.com/damn-yankees](http://www.parkplayhouse.com/damn-yankees)

**COMEDY**

**The Comedy Works:**

**Saratoga Springs Ten Dollar Thursdays with Johnny Lampert & Guests:**

Lampert has performed in NYC and LA's best comedy clubs, in addition to making numerous television appearances. Thurs., June 21, 7:30 p.m., \$10; **Open Mic:** Thurs., June 21, at 9 p.m. Sign up begins at 7 p.m., free to attend or participate. **Johnny Lampert & Marty Caproni:** Caproni,

who has opened for a host of great comics, including Tracy Morgan, Nick DePaolo, and Pauly Shore, shares the bill with Lampert. Fri., June 22, and Sat., June 23, at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. Advance, \$20 (show only) or \$44.95 (dinner + show; only available at 7:30 p.m.) *Note: Prices for the Friday and Saturday night shows above increase \$5 when purchased on the day of the show. All tickets are subject to a \$2 service fee.* 388 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. (518) 275-6897 or [thecomedyworks.com](http://thecomedyworks.com)

**The Funny Bone**

**Josh Wolff:** Best known for roles on "Chelsea Lately" and FOX Sports' web series, "College Experiment" along with opening for Larry the Cable Guy. Thurs., June 21, at 7:30 p.m. Fri., June 22, at 7:30 and 10 p.m.; and Sat., June 23, at 7 and 9:45 p.m. All shows, \$17. **Matt Fulchiron:** Worn down by relationships, adult responsibilities, and limited resources, Fulchiron coasts through his life and his act with a sarcastic and defeated outlook. Sun., June 24, at 7 p.m.; \$10. All shows 21+ unless indicated otherwise; doors 60 to 90 minutes before early show; 30 to 45 minutes before late show. Crossgates Mall, 1 Crossgates Mall Rd., Guilderland. (518) 313-7484 or [albany.funnybone.com](http://albany.funnybone.com)

**Mopco Improv Theatre**

**Monthly Improv Jam:** A wonderful hybrid of class, show and party, a jam gives veteran improvisers and newcomers alike a chance to try out improv games and stretch their improv muscles. It's a great night to come and try out something new and expand your range! Jump up and play in every game or sit back and enjoy the show. Your level of participation is up to you! Thurs., June 21; doors at 6:30 p.m. for 7 p.m. event. All tickets, \$6.27. **Maestro: Improv Comedy Showdown:** In this exciting format, improvisers compete to escape elimination and be crowned the evening's Maestro. Actors perform in a barrage of scenes and songs for the audience's delight and approval. Will they succeed or join the ranks of the eliminated? Fri., June 22; doors at 7:30 p.m. for 8 p.m. show. Adults, \$11.53; seniors/students, \$7.32. **10 North Tonight: An Improvised Talk Show:** It's time for another episode of this live, late-night, all-improvised variety show presented by The Mop & Bucket Company. Sat., June 23; doors at 7:30 p.m. for 8 p.m. show. Adults, \$16.78; seniors, students and children (up to age 18), \$7.32. All prices inc. fees; group ticket packages also available for most shows. 10 N. Jay St., Schenectady. (518) 577-6725 or [www.mopco.org](http://www.mopco.org)

**Proctors**

**Pretty Much The Best Comedy Show with Matt Knudsen:** Actor and comedian who has appeared on multiple television shows and commercials, headlines this installment of the monthly comedy show series. Sat., June 30, 8 p.m. Education Center, 432 State St., Schenectady. Advance, \$15; increases to \$20 day of show. (518) 346-6204 or [tickets.proctors.org](http://tickets.proctors.org)

**DANCE**

**Dance Force**

Schenectady and Amsterdam-based dance studio will hold its annual recital, a show packed with fun, dance and gymnastics acts by performers of all ages. Sun., June 24, at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. MainStage, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Adults, \$19; children 6 to 16, \$13; children 5 and younger, \$4.50; tickets are valid for both performances. All sales final; no refunds or exchanges. (518) 346-6204 or [tickets.proctors.org](http://tickets.proctors.org)

**FAMILY**

**Kids' Art Exploration**

Join resident artist Megan Ruch for an evening of watercolors, acrylic painting or a seasonal craft. Parents encouraged to stay and participate; children 5 years and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Wed., June 20 at 6:30 p.m. Stage 1 Gallery, Albany Barn, 48 North Swan St., Albany. Free. (518) 935-4858 or [albanybarn.org](http://albanybarn.org)

**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](http://www.northshire.com)

**Kids Urban Art Class**

Young Futures, an organization dedicated to providing children with the opportunity to explore and express their creative passion, hosts this hour-long class every Monday at 6:30 p.m. Class on the first, second and fourth Mondays of the month will take place in the Crafters' Studio, Albany Barn, 56 2nd St., Albany; sessions on the third Monday of the month will take place at YouthFX headquarters at 45 Warren St., in Albany. Free. (518) 935-4858 or [albanybarn.org](http://albanybarn.org)

**Bats for Kids**

While not everyone loves bats, they provide very important functions: disperse seeds, catch insects and pollinate the many plants that provide food we like to eat. Learn more about these animals through a presentation, games and crafts. Weather permitting, participants will head outside to count bats as they emerge from the bat barn. Presented as part of National Pollinator Week. Fri., June 22, at 7:30 p.m. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar. Free; organized groups are asked to register at (518) 475-0291. [www.dec.ny.gov/education/1980.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/education/1980.html)

**Fishing**

Celebrate New York state's annual free fishing weekend with a parent and child catch-and-release fishing clinic. Volunteers from the Albany County Conservation Alliance will share information about fishing equipment, techniques, regulations, consumption advisories and good places to fish. Bring gear if you have it; limited number of rods and reels available to borrow. Free, registration required by Wed., June 20, by calling (518) 475-0921. Additional details at [www.dec.ny.gov/education/1980.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/education/1980.html)

**Bees and Bugs and Lots of Fun!**

Did you know nature made your lunch? Come and engage in fun bee and insect crafts and games while learning about the important jobs they do as pollinators, including pollinating much of the food we eat. While you are at the Visitor Center, we will check out the honey bees in the observation hive. Presented as part of National Pollinator Week. Sat., June 23, at 2 p.m. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar. Free; organized groups are asked to register by calling (518) 475-0921. More details at [www.dec.ny.gov/education/1980.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/education/1980.html)

**The Zucchini Brothers**

Presented as part of the Town of Bethlehem's Thursdays in the Park series. Thurs., June 28, 7 p.m. Special Events Lawn (adjacent to the pool entrance), Elm Avenue Park, Bethlehem. (Rain location: Large pavilion at the back of the park.) Free.

**FILM**

**'Heart of Nuba'**

Documentary about the Amsterdam, N.Y. physician who serves as the only doctor in The Mother of Mercy Hospital in the war-torn Nuba Mountains of the Sudan, the only medical facility within 200 miles. Miraculously, through it all, hope and happiness endure. Wed., June 20, and Thurs., June 21, at noon and 7 p.m. The Addy Theater; Proctors All tickets, \$6. (518) 346-6204 or [tickets.proctors.org](http://tickets.proctors.org)

**McKellen: Playing the Part**

Built around a 14-hour interview, the story of Ian McKellen's life and work are revealed from his upbringing during the war through his work in repertory and West End theaters, and - ultimately - to his becoming a pioneering stage star, his coming out (and becoming a leader in the movement for equality) and his achieving mainstream cinema success as both Gandalf and Magneto! Featuring unprecedented access to private photo albums and a wealth of never-before-seen

archival material. Not Rated. 96 minutes. Wed., June 20, at 2 and 7 p.m. GE Theatre, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. General admission, \$9; \$6 for seniors, students and for matinee performances before 6 p.m. (518) 346-6204 or [tickets.proctors.org](http://tickets.proctors.org)

**The Rider**

A young cowboy's promising future as a top rodeo rider is suddenly jeopardized by a near fatal injury leading him to undertake a search for a new identity and rediscover what it means to a man in the heartland of America. Rated R for language and drug use. 104 minutes. Fri., June 22, at 7 p.m.; Sat., June 23, at 1, 4, and 7 p.m.; Tues., June 26, at noon; Wed., June 27, and Thurs., June 28, at 3 and 7 p.m. (Check Thurs. for rest of info.) (518) 346-6204 or [tickets.proctors.org](http://tickets.proctors.org)

**'Find Your Way Home'**

This Irish Musical returns to Albany for a one-time screening of the sold-out Broadway performance. Recorded by a multi camera crew, this film captures the original Irish cast in the show from last July that everyone is still talking about! There will also be a Q&A with the show's creators, Albany's own Jeff Strange and Jimmy Kelly. Sun., June 24, at 4 p.m. Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. General admission, \$20; VIP, \$50 (inc. admission to a pre-show reception with the writers at 2 p.m., plus complimentary refreshments and priority seating in the first 10 rows. (518) 465-4663 or [www.palacealbany.org/events/detail/a-special-screening-of-find-your-way-home-an-irish-musical](http://www.palacealbany.org/events/detail/a-special-screening-of-find-your-way-home-an-irish-musical)

**16mm Classic Fantastic**

**Vintage TV Party** Features the original unaired pilot episode of "The Outer Limits," plus two of the very best episodes of "Alfred Hitchcock Presents." Presented by It Came From Schenectady. Mon., June 25, 7 p.m. Fenimore Gallery, Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Adults, \$9; seniors (62+), children 17 and younger, and students w/ID, \$6 (discounted tickets must be purchased through the Box Office). (518) 346-6204 or [tickets.proctors.org](http://tickets.proctors.org)

**LITERARY**

**The Troy Poetic Vibe**

Weekly reading with featured poet hosted by D. Colin on Mondays. Open mic sign up at 7 p.m. Troy Kitchen, 77 Congress St., Troy. Free. (518) 268-0068 or [www.facebook.com/TroyKitchenNY](http://www.facebook.com/TroyKitchenNY)

**Third Thursday Poetry Night**

Local poet Nancy Klepsch will read from her collection of poems Plus open mic for community poets. Thurs., June 21, 7:30 p.m. The Social Justice Center, 33 Central Ave., Albany. \$3. (518) 482-0262 or [dwlx.wordpress.com](http://dwlx.wordpress.com)

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Wait Wait... Don't Tell Me!**

NPR's oddly informative news quiz program is again live at Tanglewood. The Peabody Award-winning series offers a fast-paced, irreverent look at the week's news, hosted by Peter Sagal along with judge and scorekeeper Bill Kurtis. Thurs., June 21, 8 p.m. Koussevitzky Music Shed, Tanglewood Music Center, 297 West St., Lenox, Mass. Lawn seats, \$24; bench seats, \$45 or \$60; shed seats (limited availability) start at \$45, \$60, \$76 and \$125. (888) 266-1200 or [www.bso.org/Performance/Detail/93225](http://www.bso.org/Performance/Detail/93225); click on the appropriate link under the BUY TICKETS banner

**Albany Food Tour**

Put on your walking shoes for an entertaining and delicious way to experience Albany. You'll sip and sample from restaurants that are spicing up Albany's food scene. Presented by Taste of Troy Food Tours every Friday, through Oct. 26. Tours depart from the Albany Heritage Area Visitors Center at 25 Quackenbush Square in Albany at 12:45 p.m. Tours held rain or shine. Adults, \$59; children, \$39; max. of 12 guests. (518) 303-5034 or [www.tasteoftroyfoodtours.com](http://www.tasteoftroyfoodtours.com)

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**Delmar Farmers Market**

Features local, organic, and natural farm products, baked goods, seafood, prepared food, concessions and local and fair trade crafts from 45 vendors. Every Saturday through Dec. 29, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bethlehem Middle School, 332 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. Free. info@delmarmarket.org or delmarmarket.org

**Troy Food Tour**

Put on your walking shoes for an entertaining and delicious way to learn about Troy, its ups and downs, and the role food is playing in bringing this architectural gem back to life. Presented by Taste of Troy Food Tours every Saturday, through Oct. 27. Tours begin at Psychedelicatessen, located at 275 River St. in Troy, at 10 a.m. Tours held rain or shine. Adults, \$49; children, \$29; max of 12 guests. (518) 303-5034 or www.tasteoftroyfoodtours.com

**State Education Building Tour**

Take a 45-minute guided tour through the historic Education Building in downtown Albany. Explore Chancellors Hall, the Regents Room and the rotunda, adorned with murals by Albany native Will H. Low. Saturdays, June 23, June 30, July 7 and July 14. 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 person limit. Register at online.ogs.ny.gov/ogsEvents/StateEducationBuildingTours/TourDates.aspx

**Schenectady GreenMarket**

Festive, outdoor marketplace featuring more than 60 vendors who produce everything they sell. Enjoy live music, prepared food and the region's freshest produce. Every Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., through October. Around City Hall, 105 Jay St., Schenectady. Free admission. (518) 986-0318 or schenectadygreenmarket.org/

**Tuesday Farmers Market**

Select from a wide variety of locally grown and produced items, including vegetables, flowers, fruit, honey, maple syrup, milk, eggs, cheese, baked goods, roasted chickens and Mediterranean food. Presented by the Capital District Farmers Market Association. Every Tuesday, from 2:30 to 6 p.m., rain or shine, through Nov. 13. Parking Lot, First United Methodist Church of Delmar, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. Free admission. Questions: Frank Stanton at (518) 756-8228.

**Flowers of the Solstice**

On the shortest night of the year, take a walking tour while learning about the natural and cultural history of wildflowers. Offered as part of National Pollinator Week. Thurs., June 21, 7 p.m. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road., Delmar. Free; organized groups are asked to register at (518) 475-0291. www.dec.ny.gov/education.1980.html

**Battle of the Brushes: Summer Vacation**

Talented artists will be given paint, canvas, a theme, and a time limit to throw down their best painting. Cheer on your favorite painter while browsing art and hand made goods, listening to tunes, and enjoying drinks and snacks. Fri., June 22, at 6 p.m. Albany Barn, 56 2nd St., Albany. \$5. (518) 935-4858 or albanybarn.org/calendar

**Troy Flea**

This amazing and ever-growing market returns for its second season. Features antique and vintage dealers along with

artists, crafters and food vendors. Sun., June 24, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Riverfront Park, River Street, downtown Troy. Free. (518) 281-0592 or www.troyflea.com

**David Blaine**

Magician best known for his fusion of magic and stunt work, including being buried alive in New York City for a week, encased inside a six-ton block of ice for three days, and surviving standing atop a 100ft tall pillar in Bryant Park for 36 hours without a safety net. This live, one-man show will be an interactive experience to shock and awe audiences, and therefore may not be suitable for children. Tues., June 26, at 8 p.m. Palace Theater, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. Tickets start at \$49, \$69, \$79 and \$125. (518) 465-4663 or www.palacealbany.org/events/detail/david-blaine-live

**Red, White & Brew Festival**

Kick off your Fourth of July weekend a bit early by enjoying beer tastings from more than 30 local and craft breweries, multiple food vendors, live music by Cryin' Out Loud to dance the night away to and more. Must be 21+ to attend. Fri., June 29, at 5 p.m. Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Pre-sale, \$35; increases to \$40 at the door! day of; designated driver tickets available for \$15. (518) 346-6204 or tickets.proctors.org

**Troy Night Out**

Monthly arts and cultural event that regularly draws thousands people onto the streets of Downtown Troy. Attendees are able to enjoy countless art events, music venues, fine restaurants as well as unique boutiques of all varieties. This month's theme is Carnival! Fri., June 29, from 5 to 9 p.m. Various venues throughout downtown Troy. www.downtowntroy.org/troy-night-out

**Bluebirds**

Learn more about this beautiful bird and its amazing recovery in this presentation about bluebirds and other nest box inhabitants. If weather permits we will then venture outside to look for eastern

bluebirds and other nest box inhabitants on Five Rivers nest box trails. Sat., June 30, at 10 a.m. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar. Free; organized groups are asked to register. (518) 475-0291 or www.dec.ny.gov/education/1835.html

**Turkeys**

While turkeys have made an amazing recovery in New York state, recent surveys suggest that their populations have begun to decline. The reasons for this decline are not fully understood, so the DEC is conducting a Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey. We hope that this data will help us understand the reasons for the decline. Join us for this 45-minute indoor program to learn more about wild turkeys and how you can participate in this survey. Sat., June 30, at 2 p.m. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar. Free; organized groups are asked to register. (518) 475-0291 or www.dec.ny.gov/education/1835.html

**EXHIBITS**

**Albany Barn**

**Closes today: "The Other Side" a solo exhibition of oil paintings by resident artist James Paulsen.** Regular hours of operation: Weekdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Free admission. 56 Second St., Albany. (518) 935-4858 or albanybarn.org

**Albany Center Gallery**

**Continuing: "Wonderland,"** featuring works by regional artists Gabe Brown, Vanessa Mastronardi, Gina Occhiogrosso, Kelsey Renko and Nicholas Warner. Through Fri., July 13. Gallery hours: Tues. through Sat. from noon to 5 p.m. or by appointment. Free admission. 488 Broadway, Albany. (518) 462-4775 or albanycentergallery.org

**Albany Institute of History and Art**

**Continuing: "Thomas Cole's Paper**

**Trail."** Exhibit focuses on the drawings, prints, letters, hand-written poems, and published works the renowned landscape artist left behind. Through Sun., Oct. 28. 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. 125 Washington Ave., Albany. (518) 463-4478 or albanyinstitute.org

**Albany International Airport**

**Continuing: "Upon the Ground, Below the Water."** Richard Barlow, Daesha Devon Harris, Matt Frieburghaus, Tanya Marcuse, Kingsley Parker and Claire Sherwood observe features of landscape marked by human endeavor. Through Mon., Sept. 3. 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 www.albanyairport.com/arts

**American Italian Heritage Museum**

**Continuing: "Gifts of Our Grandfather"**

The grandchildren of Italian born artist Julius Pardi (1884-1961), present an exhibit of his classical artworks, poetry and musical compositions. Many items were commissioned by General Electric, where Pardi worked in the porcelain department for 47 years. On view in the Special Exhibit Room through Sat., June 30. Museum hours: Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., and Mondays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., or by appointment. Admission: Adults, \$5; seniors (65+), \$4; students, \$3; children up to age 12, free. 1227 Central Ave., Albany. (518) 435-1979 or www.americanitalianmuseum.org

**Arlene's R Gallery**

**Continuing: Robert Guille.** Exhibit features pieces created by Guille, a local mixed media collage artist, photographer, and photopolymer gravure printer. Through Thurs., June 28. Store Hours:

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**Arts Center of the Capital Region**

**Continuing: Fence '18 Salon.** Now in its 53rd year, The Fence Show got its name when members' artwork was exhibited on the iron fence surrounding the Arts Center's original location. The artwork is displayed salon style (from floor to ceiling) with works by member artists of all levels. Through Sun., July 15. 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 artscenteronline.org

**The Clark Art Institute**

**Upcoming: "Jennifer Steinkamp: Blind Eye."** The Institute's inaugural video installation features six of the Los Angeles-based media and installation artist's most immersive projections, including a never-before exhibited piece created in tandem with The Clark's natural setting and the Tadao Ando's Lunder Center. On view through Mon., Oct. 8. **Continuing: "Women Artists in Paris, 1850-1900."** Exhibit showcases the remarkable artistic production of women artists working in Paris in the latter half of the 19th Century. Includes works by Berthe Morisot, Mary Cassatt, and Rosa Bonheur. On view through Mon., Sept. 3 (Labor Day). Also, **"The Art of Iron,"** which features 36 pieces from the Musée Le Secq des Tournelles in Rouen, Normandy, France, that invite viewers to marvel at the creativity and technical skills of their makers. On view through Sun., Sept. 16. Plus permanent collections and exhibits, including the American Arts Decorative Arts Galleries and The Manton Collection of British Art, along with French Impressionist

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**The Esther Massry Gallery**  
**Continuing: 2018 Art & Design Faculty Show.** On view through Tues., July 31. Summery Gallery Hours: Tuesday through Friday, from noon to 5 p.m. Massry Center for the Arts, The College of Saint Rose, 1002 Madison Ave., Albany. Free admission. (518) 485-3902 or www.strose.edu/campus-offices/massry-center-for-the-arts/esther-massry-gallery or www.facebook.com/esthermassrygallery

**The Hyde Collection**  
**Continuing: "Rockwell Kent: Prints from the Ralf C. Nemecek Collection and Paintings from North Country Collection."** Complementary exhibitions celebrate Kent (1882–1971), the American painter, printer, and illustrator, who settled in the Adirondacks in 1928. He painted many of his works in his Adirondack studio based on drawings, sketches, and notes taken during extensive travels to Greenland, Alaska, Ireland, and other extreme locations. Includes seldom seen paintings from North Country collections. Through Sun., July 22. Plus permanent collection. Museum hours: Daily, Tues.–Sat., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun., noon to 5 p.m. Admission: adults, \$12; seniors (60+), \$10; Children, students (w/ID)/active military members and their families, free. 161 Warren St., Glens Falls. (518) 792-1761 or www.hydecollection.org

**Living Room Art Gallery at St. Agnes Cemetery**  
**Continuing: "Rearview Mirror: Oil Paintings by Maryanne Rappaport."** From her first exploration of Egyptian "Tomb to Womb" theory 30 years ago, to the most recent developments in her studio, Rappaport's visual language remains consistent: cells, stained glass,

and a grandmother's lace run through controlled spills, each representing the transparent layers of time. This body of work explores the line that separates the tomb and the womb, the division of space and time. Through Wed., June 27. Gallery hours: Weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays by appointment. Closed Sunday. Visitor Center, 48 Cemetery Ave., Menands. Free. (518) 463-0134.

**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. Museum hours: Tues.–Sat., from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 1100 Main St. (NY Route 55), Rotterdam Junction. Admission: Adults: \$5/person for self-guided access; or \$8/per person for tour and exhibit access; children and students (w/ID) free. (518) 887-5073 or schenectadyhistorical.org

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**National Museum of Dance**  
**Upcoming: "Dancers After Dark—Photographs by Jordan Matter,"**

features photographs from Matter's 2016 book of the same title, New York Times best selling author of "Dancers Among Us." Opens Fri., June 30. **Continuing: "Art in the Foyer: Tom Caravaglia in Celebration of Alwin Nikolais."** Features images by the renowned dance photographer Caravaglia of the work of the groundbreaking choreographer and multimedia artist, Nikolais, in the 25th anniversary year of his passing. Plus ongoing exhibits. Museum hours: Daily, Tues. through Sat., from 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; free admission for all patrons on Tuesdays. (518) 584-2225 or www.dancemuseum.org

**New York State Museum**  
**Continuing: "a small fort, which our people call Fort Orange."** This exhibition examines the momentous discovery of Fort Orange and the lasting impact of events occurring there 400 years ago that shaped the character of the region, state, and the nation. Select artifacts, film footage from the excavation preceding the construction of I-787, and four decades of historical and archaeological research are highlighted—including renderings of the fort by Historical Artist Len Tantillo. Dutch ceramics on loan from the Albany Institute of History & Art help bring life to the story. In Adirondack Hall through May 5, 2020. Also, **"Art of the Erie Canal."** The Erie Canal, the foremost engineering marvel of the 19th century, sparked the imagination of artists in America and abroad. This exhibition looks at the art inspired by the canal, and the opportunities it afforded artists, both trained and untrained, working in a variety of media. A selection of 60 works comes from the collections of the New York State Museum, the Arkel Museum at Canajoharie, and other cultural institutions and private lenders from across the state. Photography Gallery, through Sun., Sept. 23. 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, present this rich story with unique objects, documents, and images. Through Oct. 20, 2019. 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

**Saratoga Arts**  
**Continuing: "Where I Wander,"** photography by Kathy Byrnes in the Members' Hall Gallery, and **"Waterfalls I Have Loved,"** photography by Susan Meyer, in the Reception Area Gallery. Through Sat., June 30. 320 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Free admission. Gallery hours: weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sat., 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. (518) 584-4132 or saratoga-arts.org

**Schenectady County Historical Society**  
**Continuing: "Mapping Schenectady."** Some of SCHS' most prominent and interesting maps are now on permanent display in the Map Gallery. Also, **"Beyond the Pines: Early Schenectady,"** an exhibit focused entirely on early Schenectady: its founding, its people, and what life was like for the city's earliest residents. Also, **"Changing Downtown: The Rise, the Raze and the Revitalization of Schenectady."** By exploring the forces that shaped the Electric City, we can better understand ourselves and our vision for the future. Through Fri., Nov. 30. Plus permanent exhibits. Museum hours: weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 32 Washington Ave., Schenectady. Admission: \$5. (518) 374-0263 or schenectadyhistorical.org

**Dan Sekellic Visual Arts Gallery**  
**Continuing: Ron Greenberg, photographer.** Greenberg purchased

his first SLR camera in 1974 and has loved taking landscape and cityscape photographs ever since. Upon retirement 2 years ago, he decided to turn this hobby of love into a profession. Now armed with a Digital SLR, he is creating fine art on a commercial basis. Some of the more recent locales he has photographed include Costa Rica, Ireland, Italy and the California coast. On display through Sat., June 30. Sand Lake Center for the Arts, 2880 NY Rte. 43, Averill Park. Gallery hours: Wed. & Fri., 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., by appointment, or during performances. Free admission. (518) 674-2007 or slca-ctp.org

**Tang Teaching Museum**  
**Upcoming: "Give a damn,"** features works from the Tang's collection by artists who give a damn about the world around them and the people in it. Opens Fri., June 30 in the Malloy Wing. **Continuing: "Elevator Music 36: Takashi Murakami—Oval."** Oval is a small object created by Murakami (b. 1962, Tokyo, Japan) for the Peter Norton Family Christmas Project. The work is from an edition of 3,000 and features familiar Murakami motifs such as the smiley-faced flower and the oversized eyeball. Music by Tokyo-based electronic music duo Zak Yumiko will be playing in the mini CD-ROM inside the base of the sculpture. On display in the elevator through Sun., June 17. Also, **"Dona Nelson: Stand Alone Paintings,"** which features more than 30 works from the last 40 years to demonstrate the breadth and continuity of her influential painting career. In the Wachenheim Gallery through Sun., Aug. 12. Also, **"to be with art is all we ask: Radical Print Culture from the Steven Lieber Archive (1976-1987),"** features more than 200 works on paper from the archive of the pioneering collector and dealer who specialized in artists' books, editions and ephemera. On view in the Bernhard Atrium through Sun., July 1. Also, **"Tel\_,"** Artist Kamau Amu Patton's continually evolving interpretation of what a museum community space can be. In the State Farm Mezzanine Gallery.

Through Sept. 1, 2019. Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Museum hours: Tues. – Sun., noon to 5 p.m.; Thurs. until 9 p.m. Free admission; suggested donations of \$5/adult; \$3/child 13+; seniors, \$2. (518) 580-8080 or tang.skidmore.edu

**Union College Galleries**  
**Continuing: "Concinnitas Portfolio,"** ten fine art aquatint prints featuring equations, expressions or formulas transcribed by ten notable mathematicians and physicists in response to the prompt to record their "most beautiful mathematic expression." In the Castrucci Gallery, inside the Nott Memorial through Summer 2018. Also **"Branding the AfroFuture"** by Stacey Robinson. Multimedia work discusses "Black Utopias" as spaces of peace away from colonial influence by considering Black protest movements and the art movements that document them. Part of the Art Installation Series. Through Sat., June 30, in the Schaffer Library Learning Commons. Hours (all galleries): Daily, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. 807 Union St., Schenectady. Free. (518) 388-6004 or muse.union.edu/mandeville/home

**University Art Museum**  
**Upcoming: "Younger Than Today: Photographs of Children (and sometimes their mothers) by Andy Warhol," "Mickey Mouse has grown up a Cow,"** and **"Triple: Alex Bradley Cohen, Louis Fratino, and Tschabalala Self."** All three exhibits open on Fri., June 29, and will remain on view through Sat., Sept. 15. Plus permanent collection which reflects more than 30 years of contemporary art, features more than 3,000 items. Uptown Campus, University at Albany, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany. Summer Museum Hours (through Tues., Aug. 29): Tuesday through Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission. (518) 442-4035 or www.albany.edu/museum

# HOROSCOPES

## June 2018 Week 3

### ARIES – MAR 21/APR 20

Aries, thinking about the future is exciting, and it may motivate you to make some changes. Picturing the future helps you try different scenarios on for size.

### TAURUS – APR 21/MAY 21

Taurus, take some alone time to focus on what is important to you. This will help you to feel the joy and fulfillment that keeps you going even when times are tough.

### GEMINI – MAY 22/JUN 21

Gemini, this week you are in the mood to rise above petty conflicts and mend fences. Set aside time to speak one-on-one with those who need forgiveness.

### CANCER – JUN 22/JUL 22

Cancer, fun and physical activity attract you this week, especially as you approach your birthday. Surround yourself with loved ones and enjoy some fun nights.

### LEO – JUL 23/AUG 23

It is alright to want to escape your daily routine sometimes, Leo. If you are feeling restless this week, plan a getaway so you can take in new sights and sounds.

### VIRGO – AUG 24/SEPT 22

Virgo, there is no need to worry about whether or not you have been handling affairs deftly. Others will be quick to vouch for your work if called on.

### LIBRA – SEPT 23/OCT 23

Your competitive nature might be needed this week, Libra. Your confidence will be an asset as you propel through tasks in record speed. Slow down to catch your breath.

### SCORPIO – OCT 24/NOV 22

It is time to share your good fortune with others, Scorpio. Expressing gratitude and helping those who do not have enough will make you feel happier and more fortunate.

### SAGITTARIUS – NOV 23/DEC 21

Infuse your social circle with some fresh energy, Sagittarius. Get together with friends and find ways to include new people into your social circle.

### CAPRICORN – DEC 22/JAN 20

Capricorn, if life has been rushing by at a harried pace, you need to find a place of solace where you can sit and exhale. It's important to have this time to rest.

### AQUARIUS – JAN 21/FEB 18

Be conscious of how your actions and words affect others, Aquarius. Communication issues can affect relationships when misconstrued words are taken to heart.

### PISCES – FEB 19/MAR 20

Pisces, procrastination is often a sign that a person is not interested in what he or she is doing. Find activities that truly motivate you.



■ FOOD & VINO



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**F**ish can provide a host of flavors and make for a healthy addition to one's diet. Alaskan cod, for example, is easy to find and, because it's high in certain omega-3 fatty acids, packs quite a heart-healthy punch. In fact, the U.S. Department of Agriculture notes that wild Alaskan cod contains the same levels of the beneficial omega-3 fatty acids eicosapentaenoic acid, or EPA, and docosahexaenoic acid, or DHA, as salmon.

Men and women who want to improve their diets but not sacrifice flavor can try the following recipe for "Roasted Wild Alaskan Black Cod with Kambu Dashi, Kale and Sage," courtesy of Jill Lightner's "Edible Seattle: The Cookbook" (Sterling Epicure).

Roasted Wild Alaskan Black Cod with Kambu Dashi, Kale and Sage

**Ingredients — Serves 4**

- 1 *tablespoon plus 2 teaspoons kosher salt*
- 5 *dried porcini mushrooms*

- 2 *tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil*
- 1 *yellow onion, thinly sliced*
- 2 *cloves garlic, smashed*
- 2 *inches peeled fresh ginger, thinly sliced*
- 1 *stalk celery, thinly sliced*
- 2 *bay leaves*
- 3 *pounds fish bones and scraps*
- 4 *sheets dry kombu or 1 pound fresh Pacific kelp*
- 1/2 *cup dry white wine*
- 4 *6-ounce Wild Alaskan Black Cod fillets*
- 2 *tablespoons butter*
- 1 *tablespoon finely chopped shallots*
- 1 *leek, roughly chopped*
- 1 *teaspoon kosher salt*
- 1 *cup stemmed, thinly sliced kale*
- 1 *tablespoon chopped fresh sage*

**Directions**

In a spice or coffee grinder, grind 1 tablespoon of the salt and the porcini mushrooms together until very fine

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### David Blaine Live

Palace Theatre — Tuesday, June 26

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A week spent buried alive, 63 hours encased in ice, and having survived one million volts of electricity, Blaine has a wow factor that has often times captured the science field for observations.

Doors open at 7 p.m. and the show starts at 8 p.m.

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## ■ HEALTH & FITNESS

# Get outside!

Enjoy more time outdoors with a few easy tricks

**I**n centuries past, humans spent much of their time in nature, hunting, foraging and living life without the comforts of extensive shelters. Fast-forward several centuries, and the tables have turned dramatically.

The Environmental Protection Agency says the average person spends 93 percent of his life indoors, with 87 percent of the time inside of a building, and the remaining 6 percent in an automobile. These shocking results indicate that the equivalent of just one half of one day per week is spent outdoors. And people may be paying a price for spending so much time indoors.

There's various reasons to believe that being outdoors can be good for a person's health. The National Institutes of Health and Harvard Medical School say that, in addition to providing physical benefits, simply spending time in nature in any form can improve mental outlook, boost creativity, elevate mood due to natural light, improve concentration, and reduce stress. A study from the St. Louis University School of Medicine also said that spending time outdoors can help a person sleep better. That's because natural sunlight can set the body's internal clock.

Despite all of the benefits of getting outside, many people find it challenging to

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do so thanks to their busy schedules. The following are a few ways to increase time in the outdoors that do not require major commitments.

- Bike or walk to work. For those who live close to their offices, walking or cycling to work is a simple way to spend more time outdoors. People who take public transportation can get off the train or bus a few stops early to get some exercise and breathe some fresh air.

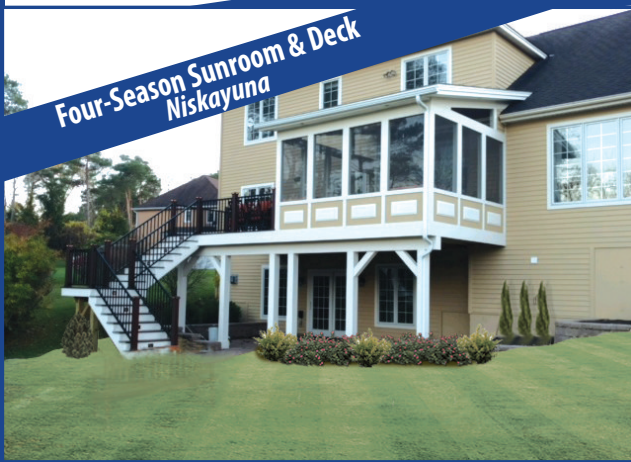
- Lunch outside. Take your lunch hour outdoors rather than in an indoor cafeteria or restaurant. Office workers are urged to go to a park or green space to give their brains a rest from urban stimuli. Lunch is the ideal time to do just that.

- Invest in a screen room at home. A screened-in porch, lanai or other space can bridge the indoors to outside and serve as a restful place to enjoy some fresh air while being protected from insects and inclement weather.

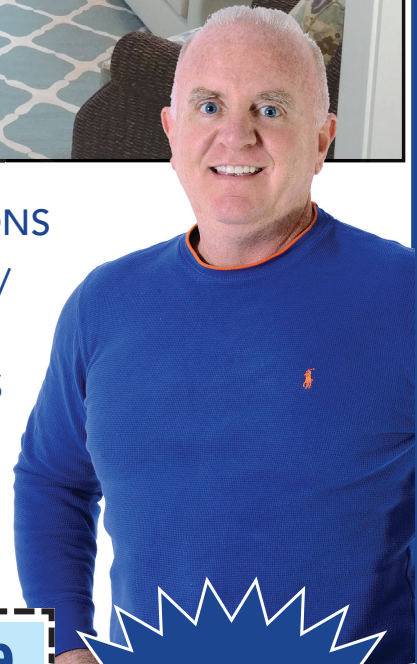
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## WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW

### Via Vineyard Night

Via Aquarium — Saturday, June 23

ROTTERDAM — Have a wine tasting under the sea at Via Aquarium on Saturday, June 23, at 6:30 p.m.

Explore the aquarium as you taste an assortment of red and white wines. Enjoy live entertainment, an array of cheeses, chocolates, fruits and olives with changes to win some prizes in this adults only “after-hours” event. Live music provided by Larkstrings.

Tickets cost \$45 (\$35 for aquarium members). For tickets and more information, visit [viaaquarium.com](http://viaaquarium.com).

### Geeks Who Drink

Olde English Pub — Each Tuesday

ALBANY — Match wits in a game of trivia at Olde English Pub each Tuesday, at 7 p.m.

Geeks Who Drink is a trivia quiz show covering everything; celebrity troubles, wordplay and bad television.

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## CONCERT REVIEW

# Bringing out your Dead

Mayer And Company offer their Weirs to a packed SPAC

By **LAURA DAPOLITO**  
[nysmusic.com](http://nysmusic.com)

Saratoga Performing Arts Center hosted Dead & Company on Monday, June 11, bringing in over 17,000 head nodding, barefoot dancing, arms-in-the-air, grooving fans.

True confession: this was my first experience with a Dead & Company show. And I wasn't sure what all the fuss would be about. I'd listened to the Dead plenty of times, and while I liked the music, it wasn't life altering to listen to alone in my room or the car.

The experience of the jam music, however, surrounded by thousands of joyful, if not chemically altered, adults was entirely different than anything listening to tapes could prepare you for. The band opened up with “Jack Straw,” a well-loved favorite. The band felt slower than usual, and like they were struggling to get their feet under them. But the audience didn't mind, grooving along and smiling. There was a long guitar introduction and what felt a bit like an extended warm-up; fans were tolerant and were overjoyed by the band's very presence.

John Mayer improved the energy, taking the lead on “Easy Wind” and then “Friend of the Devil.” There was an ease to Mayer's voice and playing that fit the folk feeling perfectly. John Mayer's ease stepping in Jerry Garcia's role enhanced the music with a fresh voice and picking

soul, refreshing old folk music with a new vibe.

And the music didn't stop, it simply picked up the pace in the second set. Varying from jam music to bluegrass to soul, the band played for 90 minutes for their first set, with only a short intermission before returning with a roaring cover of “The Weight.” They played furiously to the end of the set, hitting on old favorites like “Uncle John's Band” and closing with “Touch of Grey.”

While there were some shockers for this writer, including how absolutely stereotypical the drug use and over drinking was among the crowd, the true surprise of the evening was how intensely relaxing and fun the music could be when played live. The mellow groove that shifted into familiar songs as the night wore on made for a really fun community experience with music. Parents with young children, adults who were old enough to know better (but still drank too much), and young people alike danced together, sang together and remembered their common humanity together.

It is worth a visit to a live Dead & Company concert, if only for the social experiences and energy from the band that changes the sound from what you might hear on the radio to a magical community experience.

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# WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW

## Upstate Rubdown, Billy Wylder and Blind Crow The Hangar — Thursday, June 21

TROY — Lovers of string music should visit The Hangar for a night that will feature three bands on Thursday, June 21, at 7 p.m.

Hudson Valley septet Upstate Rubdown headlines a night that is to also feature Billy Wylder and Blind Crow. Upstate Rubdown plays music inspired by a wide range of eras and from different regions of Americana. The band has played Mountain Jam, Green River Festival, Otis Mountain Get Down and more. It has also opened for Marco Benevento, The

Felice Brothers, Commander Cody and others.

Tickets cost \$12. For tickets and information, visit brownpapertickets.com.

The Hangar is located at 675 River St. in Troy.

## Dayglo Abortions

Pauly's Hotel — Thursday, June 21

ALBANY — Canadian punk rock legends, Dayglo Abortions, headline a night of punk and hard rock at Pauly's Hotel on Thursday, June 21, at 7 p.m.

Dayglo Abortions shares the three-band bill with Out of the Womb and Feed Us a Fetus.

Tickets cost \$10. For tickets and information, visit brownpapertickets.com.

Pauly's Hotel is located at 337 Central Ave. in Albany.

## The Wheel

Putnam Place — Friday, June 22

SARATOGA SPRINGS — Get ready for a Grateful Dead tribute at Putnam Place on Friday, June 22, at 9 p.m.

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For more information, visit putnamplace.com.

Putnam Place is located at 63 Putnam St. in Saratoga Springs.

## Hail Sagan

Jupiter Hall Albany — Sunday, June 24

ALBANY — Death metal outfit Hail Sagan headlines a loaded lineup at Jupiter Hall on Sunday, June 24, at 6 p.m.

Hail Sagan is joined by American Grim, The Floor's Embrace, Every Enemy Alive and Iudica as Delirium Entertainment presents the Beauty & The Beast Tour.

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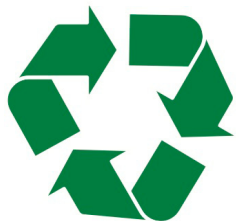
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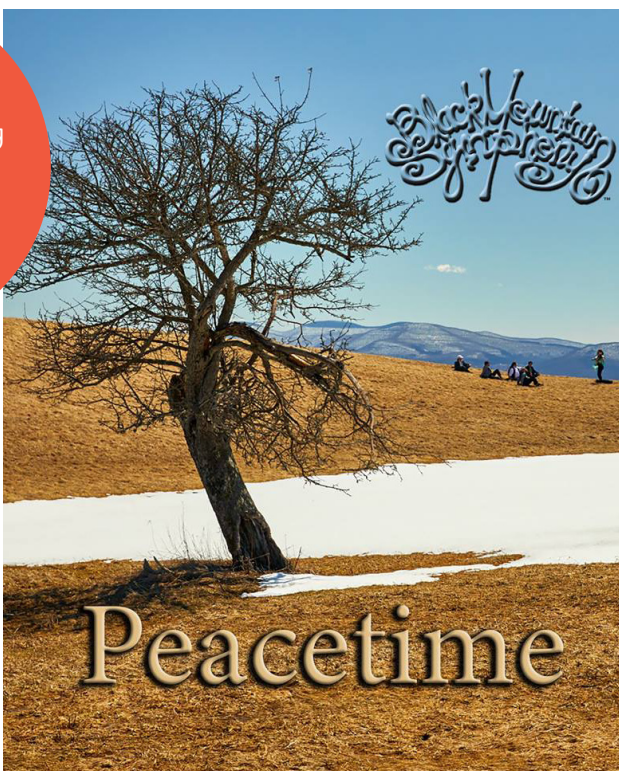


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**MUSIC REVIEW**

**GROOVY**

A sound described as symphonic groove married with rock.



**Black Mt. Symphony's 'Peacetime'**

to as both a symphonic groove pop group and a rock band, Black Mountain Symphony's sound goes beyond the confinements of genre.

Its EP was released earlier this month. The result is a cohesive piece of work featuring six tracks. The opening song, "Closer" sets the tone for the rest of the album. It lets the audience know they are about to give their ears a treat as all six tracks are composed using real instruments – a rarity in today's popular music scene. Campo's somewhat haunting yet soothing addition of the classical violin is the stand out moment for me in nearly every track. There is something special about hearing a violin in recorded music today that adds an element of richness.

"Scorched Earth" is the second song on the EP and serves to highlight its beautiful harmonies. These harmonies are very complementary to the music in the piece as neither instrument overpowers the other. Another noteworthy track is "Peacetime" whose title perfectly sets the song up for its peaceful and groovy melody. Lastly, (and a personal favorite) is the song "Walk to the Edge", specifically when the male and female voices come together and sing what sounds like ghostly "ohs."

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By **SAMMY STEINER**

[nysmusic.com](http://nysmusic.com)

The winner of NYS Music's March Madness this year followed up its victory with the release of the band's newest EP "Peacetime." Black Mountain Symphony is a six-piece band consisting of members Annie Campo (vocals, violin), Bear Campo (vocals, keys), Paul Burke (bass), Jason Matthews (drums), Chris Peppe (vocals, guitar), and Charlie Burgess (vocals, guitar, Native American flute). Each band member compliments the other, bringing a skill set culminating in the creation of its unique sound. Referred

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Preheat the oven to 185° F. Line a sheet pan with parchment paper. Place the cod fillets on the pan and season liberally with the porcini salt. Place the pan in the oven for 38 minutes.

While the fish is baking, place a sauté pan over medium heat and add the butter, shallots, leek, and remaining 1 teaspoon salt. Sauté until tender but not browned. If the vegetables start to brown, add a couple of tablespoons of the broth. When the leek is tender, add the kale and sage and sauté until the kale is soft.

Divide the kale among 4 serving bowls. Using a spatula, place the black cod on the kale, pour the broth on and around the fish and serve.

**Pairing**

*Oyster Bay Pinot Noir*

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With this dish, you want a wine that's going to pop against the smokiness of the cod and the salt of the accompanying dashi, so we went with a New World pinot noir.

This pinot noir from Oyster Bay has a licorice scent with plum and blackberry flavors, and it will compliment well with the sage, too.

*Of course, the best pairing is one of your own choosing. Let us know what you think by reaching out to us on Facebook at TheSpot518.com. Please share what pairings you ultimately went with.*

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**Food and Vino**

(roughly 1 minute); then sift the mixture through a fine-mesh sieve. Cover and set aside.

Heat the olive oil in a large soup pot over medium-high heat. Add the onion, garlic, ginger, celery, bay leaves, and 1 teaspoon salt and cook until the vegetables are fragrant and sweating, about 5 minutes. Add the fish bones and scraps, kombu and wine and simmer for 10 minutes. Add 3 quarts water and simmer slowly over



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