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Evening's unrest casts shadow on peaceful day, sheds light on who's responsible for violence

By **JIM FRANCO**
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ALBANY — Five hours following a peaceful protest, violence ripped through the Capitol City and spilled into the suburbs.

"It was the closest I have felt to being in a war zone since Iraq," said County Executive Dan McCoy, who used four fire extinguishers to put out a fire at the Probation Department on Pearl Street because the chaos prevented the Fire Department from accessing the building.

And the community, already reeling from COVID-19, was left to pick up the pieces after dozens of rioters did more than \$1 million worth of damage to municipal buildings and private businesses, setting fires and looting stores as they rampaged through the south end of Albany and spilling into the suburbs.

Molotov cocktails were thrown at the mounted patrol at the South Station, and officers were pelted with bricks, rocks, garbage and were shot at with roman candles and other fire works. They showed amazing restraint. A tractor trailer was set on fire on Pearl Street at around 10 p.m. The county Probation Department was set on fire sometime through the night and at around 3 a.m. a car burned itself out on Central Avenue. Similar riots took place at cities across the country.

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■ POLICE, COURTS and EMERGENCY CALLS

More police presence at malls

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Police agencies and law enforcement throughout the Capital District were on guard to mitigate the spread of violence and looting outside the city of Albany last weekend.

In Guilderland, multiple agencies including the Guilderland Police Department, Schenectady County Sheriff's

Office and the Watervliet Police Department blocked Crossgates Mall off to traffic and monitored any suspicious traffic activity, according to police scanners. On Saturday, May 30, numerous vehicles approached the mall but were deterred by the increased police presence.

Sometime between Saturday night and Sunday morning, May 31, a crowd broke a window and entered the closed Colonie

Center, according to Colonie police. The individuals fled before police arrived and at least one store was believed to have been entered; there has been no confirmation of theft from that store as of Monday, June 1.

Colonie police are also reviewing social media videos depicting the Colonie Center incident as part of the investigation and they believe it is related to the violent incidents

that happened that same night in downtown Albany.

"I had 60 [staffers] in Albany and 22 throughout the county protecting the malls with Colonie PD, Guilderland PD and Bethlehem PD," said Albany County Sheriff Craig Apple during a press briefing on Sunday. "I'm glad everybody made it home safe."

Bethlehem and Coeymans police also began increasing patrol at potential target locations in Bethlehem last weekend amid concerns of looting and violent protesters.

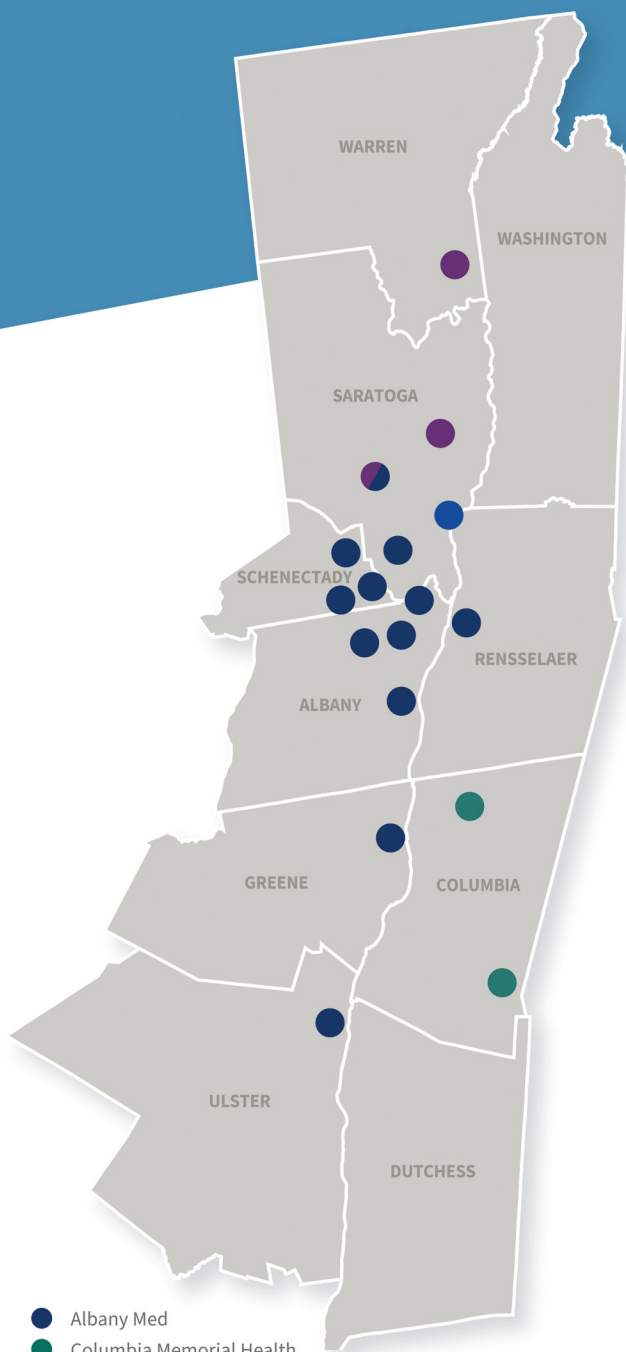
"Being augmented by the Coeymans Police Department, we've had officers stationed at

numerous potential locations and we did see some people come and driving away," said Bethlehem Police Cmdr. Adam Hornick. "Walmart, strip malls and shopping plazas were mentioned as potential targets."

Hornick said police learned about what potential target locations were from social media and gathering intelligence.

"There were no protests in Bethlehem [last Saturday] and police patrols are still continuing," he added; he also said that some Bethlehem police officers were sent to help handle the violent protests at the south end of Albany last Saturday. "Violence is not the answer."

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A transport truck burns on Albany's South Pearl Street hours after a peaceful demonstration around Washington Park. Jim Franco / Spotlight News

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It's not black and white

Colonie Center was broken into, a video was circulated on social media but the perpetrators apparently fled the scene before police arrived. Guilderland police and deputies from the Albany County Sheriff's Department had all the entrances to Crossgates Mall blocked off and at around midnight a number of cars were circling the closed mall, some taunting police as they drove by.

The State Police and officers from Bethlehem, Colonie, Rensselaer, Watervliet and Guilderland police departments all responded to help thwart the violence. But, as soon as one area seemed to calm,

something would happen in another part of the Capital District.

The violence overshadowed what began as a peaceful protest to the killing of George Floyd at the hands of police officers in Minneapolis. Thousands came to Townsend Park in Albany to participate in the two-mile run/walk organized by Citizens Action and other community groups.

"What went on in Minneapolis should not have happened. What that officer did was nefarious and criminal and he will have his day in court," said Sheriff Craig Apple. "But I don't want the public to paint all law enforcement



Violence ignites in front of a police station in Albany's South End. Jim Franco / Spotlight News

officers with the same brush. We are not like that here. We have worked hard to make strides in the community. To build bridges. And this set us back years."

He, McCoy and Albany Mayor Kathy Sheehan praised the Albany protesters at the afternoon gathering for standing up and having their voices heard in a peaceful, yet forceful, manner; all the while adhering to social distancing protocols and

wearing masks. Sadly, the sheriff said, the memory most people will take away from the day is what happened after the sun went down and not of George Floyd.

McCoy said the Health Department, Probation Department and Board of Elections all suffered substantial damage.

"What happened at South Station was not a protest. It was a riot," Sheehan said. "I cannot see a connection over the

anger of the killing of George Floyd and throwing a brick through a public library window. I don't see the connection with being angry with police and throwing a brick through a window of a black owned business and stealing everything inside. That is not protest. I don't see any connection because I don't see how anyone trying to build a better future for themselves and their community would ever think those activities would lead to peace and empowerment."

A 21-year-old Delmar man, James Vail, was arrested Sunday for throwing a brick at a police officer, causing a concussion.

Apple said he has been flooded with tips about the identity of other

participants.

"I am especially grateful to the young man who threw rocks through the window at Colonie Center and posted a video of it," Apple said.

McCoy said video tapes are being reviewed.

Sheehan said a number of the rioters were clearly not from the neighborhood they vandalized, or even from Albany.

"Violence was from the people not from our community, who don't know our police department and who have never worked with our Police Department," she said. "They were people we never met or have never interacted with our Police Department throwing bricks at our police officers, literally."

POLICE

Delmar man arrested for inciting a riot

ALBANY — A 21-year-old Delmar man was arrested for throwing a brick at a police officer during the riot outside the South Station.

According to Albany police PIO Steven Smith, on Saturday, May 30 at around 7 p.m. James Vail allegedly threw the brick at the head of a uniformed Albany officer on Arch Street. The officer sustained a concussion and was treated at the hospital. Vail is also charged with throwing a brick through the window of a marked Albany police car parked at the station, causing the window to shatter.

Vail stands charged with inciting a riot, criminal mischief, assault and attempted assault.

He is scheduled to be arraigned Monday in Albany City Criminal Court.



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BCSD BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATES

Who's running?

Seven candidates seek to fill three BOE seats; three seeking re-election, four newcomers

BETHLEHEM — All seven candidates responded to a questionnaire about their background, qualifications and motivation to run.

Due to space constraints, the following are a mini-bio for each candidate in alphabetical order.

Their full responses to the questionnaire are available on our website.

Each seat is a three-year term that starts July 1. The vote will be by absentee ballot on Tuesday, June 9 due to COVID-19.

Absentee ballots were mailed to residents between Wednesday, May 27, and Tuesday, June 2. The district must receive completed ballots by 5 p.m. on June 9.

Christine Beck

Seeking re-election, Christine Beck lives in

Glenmont for almost two decades now and is an internal auditor for Preferred Mutual Insurance Company in Latham.



BECK

Having served two terms, she said she remains "committed to maintaining academic excellence for all students, fostering engaged citizenship among our youth, and promoting continued fiscal responsibility with our tax dollars."

She led the BOE Audit Committee, chaired the Facilities Committee, served as Board President and is a member of the Policy Committee.

A mother of three,

she has experience as an internal auditor and in litigation managing, educational programming, co-curriculars and special education.

Beck said due to COVID-19, the district faces challenges like distance learning, students' and staff's mental health, meeting special education requirements, potential school funding cuts and how fall classes will be like.

"As a member representing our community and stakeholders, I will champion policies to help our administration and faculty to continue to provide quality education including online distance learning, professional development for our faculty, meeting special education requirements and accommodating safe re-entry to the classroom in the fall," she said. "I am fortunate to be involved with the decisions that affect our children and our community, and am confident"

She continued, "I will

continue to be an engaged member, an effective listener, a collaborator, a decision maker and a leader for our district."

Holly Dellenbaugh



DELLENBAUGH

Seeking re-election, Holly Dellenbaugh is a freelance writer and editor who has lived in Delmar for 13 years.

A mother of three, she said she has learned about critical districtwide functions like transportation, food service, operations and maintenance, and has built relationships with the board and administration.

"As a writer, an editor and an attorney with nearly two decades of experience, I've also honed critical thinking skills that I will use as the district navigates future challenges," she said. "My experience in mediation and negotiation brings additional strength to the board — especially when balancing budget priorities."

Looking ahead, Dellenbaugh said, "In the fall, we must be ready to respond to learning gaps and increased mental health needs. We must prepare our buildings for social distancing and provide our teachers with training so they can maximize technology if we need to continue remote learning."

She also said work must continue to address equity and access issues.

"This spring's school closures have shown us just how much we depend on our schools, not just for learning, but for community. And I want to be a part of helping our district come back from this stronger than ever in the fall," she said.

Tricia Hertz



HERTZ

Relocating to Delmar in 2006, Tricia Hertz has a bachelor's degree in finance from University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

She previously worked for General Electric Aircraft Engines, Honeywell

International in accounting and human resources and supported human resources and employee relations at St. Peter's Health Partners and The Arc of New York.

A mother of children who attend BCSD, she said, "I recognize Bethlehem invests in education ... My prior HR and finance skills in resource planning, policy, employee relations and budgeting would assist the decision-making the administration is called to consider."

She also wants to help review data and support the district's leadership amid budgeting, resources and programming concerns due to COVID-19.

Districtwide challenges she noted were keeping students engaged in available activities and clubs, attendance, bullying, stress, sleep schedules and learning methods.

"I hope to better understand what drives stressors and successes with students," Hertz said. "I do believe we can identify the talents and experiences of students, and involve them more to create the school culture and environment."

She continued, "It will be important for me to know what programs were implemented to address concerns the district has faced, what was successful and what failed — we sometimes learn more from what did not work in the past."

Kelly A. Magnuson



MAGNUSON

A mother of four who attend BCSD, Kelly Magnuson has lived in Bethlehem since 2015.

An attorney at Burke Scolamiero & Hurd in Albany, she has been a practicing attorney since 1998 and handles defense of healthcare professionals, hospitals and numerous employment law cases involving wage and hour disputes, and discrimination.

She has also been a teacher and student mentor in middle school and college courses in the state.

She works with Bethlehem's Bridge to College program with first-generation college applicants.

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With experience in communication, mediation and negotiation as a litigator, Magnuson said she is skilled in speaking to people from all walks of life and fields of work.

She acknowledged how COVID-19 has affected BCSD and noted challenges like education delivery, students' social alienation and lack of physical activity.

"I believe that the district and the board will need to be ready to help students and families address the above issues when students return to school whether it be in September or at a later date," she said. "In the meantime, I believe that the board has to evaluate the educational deficiencies that have been created and work with the community to address the needs that arise as a result."

Meredith Moriarty

Seeking a second term, Meredith Moriarty is an attorney and partner at the Smith Hoke, PPLC law firm in Latham.

She grew up in Delmar,



MORIARTY

how schools function and the importance of keeping students and staff safe amid the pandemic and changing regulations.

"When our students return [this fall], they will need more support than ever," she said. "Teachers will need to make up for educational deficits and students will inevitably experience social and emotional difficulties adjusting back to school after this experience. Teachers may see more behavioral issues as children adjust to structured classrooms."

She continued, "We will see more children needing services such as OT and speech therapy. All of these things will require our faculty and staff to be more creative with less resources."

Moriarty added that mental health, supporting the counseling department and ensuring teachers

moved for several years and returned eight years ago.

At BCSD, she said she's learned more about

continue receiving professional development for distance learning are imperative.

"I am proud of the way that our district has come together during this crisis," Moriarty said. "This process has been painful, however. It is important to take the time during the summer to assess our response, and determine what we can do to lessen the negative effects of another such crisis in the future."

John F. Queenan



QUEENAN

Living in Selkirk with his wife and two children since 2005, John Queenan is a partner at the Rivkin Radler LLP

law firm in Albany.

He has been a government and private sector attorney, involved with youth sports and organizations like Albany PAL, was Queens County Deputy Borough Chief at the New York City Law Department and is on Rivkin Radler's Executive Committee.

He also has experience in public school systems; managing and monitoring finances, performance metrics and strategic planning; and representing clients — many of whom are involved in healthcare; labor/employment; disability services; and commercial, contract and business disputes.

At BCSD, Queenan acknowledged COVID-19's impact and challenges like instructional delivery, catering to individual students' needs, affected extra-curricular activities, mental health and budget constraints.

"We must ask how each event and decision will be judged and how it impacts the community differently and design creative approaches to meeting the need," Queenan said. "Collective input and flexibility of thought by the district, outside experts and stakeholders will be key as we work together to address the current and future challenges."

He added, "My experiences should prove valuable to providing a fresh, and perhaps unique, outlook to assist the district

in facing the short term challenges, and in shaping and preparing the district for future generations of students and all district residents."

Ryan Richman



RICHMAN

Living in Delmar since 2011 with his wife and three children, two of whom attend BCSD, Ryan Richman is

an emergency physician and fellow of the American College of Emergency Physicians who has been in practice at various Capital District hospitals for nine years.

COVID-19 emboldened him to run for school board "to keep our children and community safe," he said. "Many important decisions will need to be made to safeguard the health and well-being of our students, teachers, families and also our residents."

He continued, "I am committed to the health of our community, fiscal responsibility and creating a just and outstanding school

district."

Experienced in handling difficult environments and maintaining compassion, Richman said it's important for the school board to navigate through misinformation and contradictory guidance from the state and federal government.

He also said the board would be making tough decisions amid budget concerns and the uncertain future; continuing education and caring for students' mental health are important too.

"I will meet these challenges as a parent and as a physician, by following the data and leading with compassion," Richman said. "Although things are starting to improve, we must remain vigilant. The challenge ahead will be to keep our community safe while maintaining high educational standards and moving into a brighter future."

TOWN GOVERNMENT

Dive pool update

Replacement dive pool planned to be built with new contractor

By **DIEGO CAGARA**
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BETHLEHEM — The Town Board voted unanimously on Wednesday, May 27, to set aside MidAtlantic Construction's bid and award the contract to build a new dive pool to pool construction company P&S for \$822,000.

The town originally awarded the contract to MidAtlantic in February for \$719,000.

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works Paul Penman said MidAtlantic informed the town that it made "some assumptions on how [it was] going to build the pool and what was included."

He said after the town informed MidAtlantic that the pool had to be built the way it was bid, MidAtlantic wanted more money and a change order to correct those assumptions.

After the town refused, MidAtlantic declined to execute the contract's award.

Penman said the town put a claim in against its bid bond which would help recover around \$30,000 — this is one way the town can mitigate the contract's increased amount.

So, Penman recommended the town set aside the bid and go to the number two bidder, P&S.

Town Supervisor David VanLuven said in Penman's experience, this was only the second time a bidder failed its bid bond which is "a very unusual and unfortunate situation but I think we've got a positive path forward."

It is unclear when construction starts. Penman said the written contract has construction start in September but P&S said it's willing to start in July to have more time before opening next summer.

As the Elm Avenue Park pool complex will be closed this summer due to COVID-19 until further guidance from the state Department of Health, the Town Board acknowledged that guidance could come any day and discussions will continue about whether to construct the dive pool this summer if the pool complex reopens which may possibly disrupt users' experience.

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EDUCATION

Proposed 2020-2021 school budgets

Vote by absentee ballot due to COVID-19

By **DIEGO CAGARA**
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Local school districts will hold school budget votes via absentee ballot on Wednesday, June 9.

Each district must receive the completed absentee ballots by 5 p.m. that day.

If residents have not received their absentee ballots by Friday, June 5, contact your respective district clerk for assistance.

Bethlehem

Bethlehem Central School District residents will consider a \$103.5 million 2020-2021 school budget, an increase of \$2.7 million from 2019-2020's \$100.8 million figure.

The proposed budget

would increase spending by 2.64 percent and carry a tax levy increase of 2.34 percent, which equals the district's tax cap.

The tax rate would be increased by 1.1 percent for Bethlehem homeowners and 2.2 percent for New Scotland homeowners.

The budget includes \$3 million in fund balance that would be used to offset expected mid-year state aid reductions because of COVID-19.

Residents will also vote on a proposition to purchase up to six large buses and seven small buses at a maximum cost of \$1.2 million.

These buses will replace aging buses. The older larger buses are 13 years old with 73,000 miles each on average; the older smaller buses are 10 years old with 100,000 miles each on average.

The district's website indicated that if voters

approve the purchase, "the state would reimburse the district over a five-year period for about 62 percent of the cost of the new vehicles. The estimated local cost would be \$459,800."

There are three open Board of Education seats which are each three-year terms.

The seven candidates are Christine Beck, Holly Dellenbaugh, Tricia Hertz, Kelly A. Magnuson, Meredith Moriarty, John F. Queenan and Ryan Richman.

For more information, visit www.bethlehemschools.org/proposed-2020-21-budget-maintains-programs-in-a-time-of-uncertainty.

Guilderland

Guilderland Central School District residents will consider a \$103 million budget for the 2020-21 school year, an increase of \$925,320 or 0.9 percent

from last year's \$102.1 figure.

The proposed budget would carry a tax levy increase of \$1.7 million or 2.25 percent.

Tax rates are estimated to increase by 2.25 percent.

Residents will also vote on a proposition of \$983,300 to purchase four 66-passenger buses, three 66-passenger buses with chains, and one 60-passenger bus with wheelchair stations and air conditioning.

About 50 percent of the bus purchase will be returned to the district as state aid, according to the district's website.

The Board of Education has five vacancies, three are three-year terms and two and one-year terms.

The candidates are Luciano Alonzi, Rebecca Butterfield, Benjamin Goes, Blanca Gonzalez-Parker and Judy Slack.

For more information, visit www.guilderlandschools.org/budget-taxes/#PropBudget-2020-21 and www.guilderlandschools.org/2020-21-boe-candidates.

Voorheesville

Voorheesville Central School District residents will consider a \$26 million 2020-21 school budget, an increase of 2.4 percent of \$616,883 from last year's \$25.4 million figure.

The proposed budget will carry a tax levy increase of 3 percent or \$570,907.

Residents will also vote on a proposition to lease one 65-passenger school bus and two 28-passenger buses for a cost of \$236,000.

This proposition's funding will originate from state aid at approximately 60 percent of costs.

Voters will also elect four members onto the Board of Education,

Two seats are four-year terms and one is to fill out the remaining two years of a term that was temporarily filled in December 2019 after it was vacated.

The candidates are Tim Kremer, Argi O'Leary, Tricia Putman, and Bryan Richmond.

For more information, visit www.voorheesville.org/domain/44.

RCS

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District residents will consider a \$48.7 million 2020-21 school budget, an increase of 1.3 percent of \$615,345 from last year's \$48.1 million figure.

According to the district's school budget presentation, there will not be a tax levy increase from last year.

If assessments and equalization rates remain the same, the tax bill will remain unchanged from the 2019-20 school year.

The final assessment information will be available in July or August.

In the 2019-20 school year, estimated school

tax rates per \$1,000 of assessed value are: \$20.58 (Bethlehem), \$20.58 (Coeymans), \$21.25 (New Scotland) and \$28.33 (New Baltimore).

Residents will also vote on a bus proposition costing \$646,838.

The district seeks to purchase:

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- One maintenance utility truck costing \$55,000.

Three candidates — Tina Furst-Hotaling, William McFerran and Peter Ross — are running to fill one of three RCS Board of Education seats.

For more information, visit www.rcscsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Proposed-Budget-6-9-2020.pdf and www.rcscsd.org/rcs-budget-development-2020-21.

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■ BUSINESS

Falvo's closing, may reopen

Owner looks to retire

By **DIEGO CAGARA**
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SLINGERLANDS — Falvo's Meat Shoppe owner Joe Robilotto said he will temporarily close his business this week but is unsure if he will ever reopen. He is also interested in selling Falvo's off.

"I don't know if I would come back and reopen or not; I want to leave that option open," he said. "I don't feel good about temporarily closing it. I'd like to sell to someone who's been interested in running a good neighborhood business that people can go to."

Falvo's originally opened in 1974 and Robilotto bought it in 1991.

Robilotto explained that since the COVID-19 pandemic hit, his butcher — one of his five employees



Falvo's has been a staple destination for local consumers shopping for meats, party platters, Thanksgiving Day turkeys and sausage dressing since 1974. Spotlight file photo

— had to resign two weeks ago to care for his elderly mother in Indiana.

"Now that I don't have a butcher, it's hard to run the business with the same standards as before," Robilotto said. "I'm 79 years old and also in the last two and a half months, I worked

60 hours a week. It's too much at my age and even a young person can't do it. ... I'll close temporarily as soon as I sell off my last fresh meat stock. Then, I'll have nothing to cut."

Robilotto said he has been trying to employ more people for the past two

weeks but to no avail. "How do you hire people when they make more money for not working," he said, referring to people receiving unemployment benefits.

Due to the pandemic, he said business has "doubled to tripled" but customers are no longer allowed

inside the store. Also, doing curbside pickup and handling many customer calls "is time consuming and it's a lot of extra work involved," he said, expressing concern for his remaining employees' well-being and health.

According to Robilotto, meat prices have also gone up "dramatically." "How high can you go and still be able to sell a product," He said, "We're now selling up to \$10 per pound and it used to be just \$4 per pound. I refuse to go higher. Prices went up because of demand and lots of meat industry facilities have shut down because many people got sick from working shoulder to shoulder."

According to the Centers for Disease Control, as of early May, there are 115 meat and poultry processing facilities with about 130,000 workers across 19 states in the U.S. Almost 5,000 cases and 20 deaths have been reported, because of factors like how challenging maintaining social distancing while working is and transportation conditions.

Selling Falvo's off may be a challenge due to the current economic

uncertainty amid COVID-19. "Some people have expressed interest but now with banks shut down, banks won't loan money to businesses because they don't know how many businesses will close," he said. "You got to have someone that has the desire to own their own business like I had. It was always my dream to run my own."

Reflecting back on his time at Falvo's, Robilotto expressed gratitude to his loyal customers through the years. "We've had quality customer service and a great relationship with customers when they come in," he said. "If I'm busy, I at least say hello, recognize them and always treat them fairly. I'm going to miss my friends and customers and it brings a tear to my eye. They're not just customers, they're friends which has made us so successful for a long time."

Looking ahead, when asked what his plans are for the near future, Robilotto said, "I got a nice pool in the backyard and I want to relax. If the economy starts opening up, I'd also like to travel with my wife."

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COMMUNITY

Donating to veterans



A community group of volunteers and local businesses work together to load a Veterans Miracle Center van with boxes of goods.

Diego Cagara / Spotlight News

A local community comes together to help

By **DIEGO CAGARA**
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GLENMONT — “Spreading Love and Kindness in the 518,” a Capital District community volunteer group, teamed up with local businesses, families and neighbors to donate goods to the Veterans Miracle Center on Tuesday, May 26.

A VMC van arrived at Stacie Craft’s, the group’s founder, driveway in Glenmont that morning to pick up boxes of wood and rock paintings, disposable masks, non-perishable food, cleaning supplies and toiletries. They will be distributed to local veterans across the Capital District.

“I think [the VMC] hasn’t received many donations recently and I reached out to them to ask what we can donate to them and they told me they’d like non-perishable food and toiletries,” Craft said. “Members of our group have been very generous and we want to spread love and kindness, going back to how we named the group.”

Craft’s community group is made up of around 230 volunteers, including neighbors and family friends, who worked on the wood and rock paintings, and pooled goods to donate. They included patriotic and positive messages on the

paintings.

Emily, Craft’s 7-year-old daughter and member of the “Spreading Love and Kindness in the 518” group said, “When I paint, it calms my body down and it makes me feel happier knowing that every day, a new person will get a new piece of painted wood from us.”

Melody Burns, the VMC’s director, watched as the volunteers loaded the VMC van with numerous boxes of donations and noted that a number of them were children.

“Things like this are so important to us and it exceeded our expectations,” she said. “It’s great to see the young kids having a great time too. Even when they’re young, they understand the value of giving back, and know what veterans are and what they do. It’s like a teaching tool to them.”

The volunteers spread the mission of donating to the VMC by word of mouth.

Local businesses and establishments that joined in to donate to the VMC too included the Menands FedEx; Bliss, O’Slaterry’s and I Love NY Pizza from Delmar; R Pizza House from Selkirk; and Feliciano Body Works, Inc. from Ravena.

“I’m sure the businesses are all stressed out enough already and the fact they were all willing to take on this extra thing and give

back was great,” Craft said.

Burns, expressing gratitude to Craft’s group and the donations, said COVID-19 caused VMC to cancel its fundraising events since spring and it has since received far less donations than usual.

“We had to figure out how to serve our veterans’ needs which is our primary mission and instead of veterans coming to us, we started delivering to them if they don’t have transportation,” she added. “We have a van to help deliver food and some hygiene and cleaning products to them. Since the pandemic, we saw a drastic reduction in being able to give to our veterans.”

She said Craft and a former VMC colleague reached out to her two weeks ago about whether the VMC would like to receive donations, and she accepted.

Besides Craft’s group, the VMC has also received donations of goods since spring from the Voorheesville Key Club, Delmar’s American Legion Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040 and the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Albany to try to keep up with demand.

Craft started the “Spreading Love and Kindness in the 518” group in late March, shortly after the pandemic shut the state

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COVID-19

BCHS grad volunteers his body for vaccine



Norman Hulme, left, is injected with an experimental COVID-19 vaccine.

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Experimental vaccine could be answer against COVID-19 pandemic

By **JIM FRANCO**

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BETHLEHEM — Scientists around the globe are racing to find a vaccine for COVID-19, and a 1973 Bethlehem High grad is offering his body as a laboratory in one of the leading efforts, and one of the most cutting edge approaches, to combat the worst public health crisis in generations.

“You think about our parents and our grandparents and World War I and World War II and you think about what they had to deal with rationing of food stamps and gasoline and this, in many ways, is our world war because it is effecting the entire world,” Norman Hulme said from his home in Atlanta. “I think most people are looking to do what they can because it is the right thing to do. That is the spirit everyone should take instead of hoarding toilet paper.”

Hulme is one of 60 volunteers to get injected with the test vaccine during a study by Moderna, a biotech company based in Massachusetts, sponsored by the National Institutes of Health and the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease. And it’s not the first time he stepped up. After the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks Hulme was similarly injected with chemicals during a study to find a vaccine for Anthrax,

a virus-causing chemical terrorists used to attack the U.S.

Asked if he was worried about getting sick, he said, with conviction, “not at all.” He said he has faith in the process, and the science, and whatever risk is far offset by the potential benefits of a widespread vaccine for the virus that has that has infected more than 5.7 million people and killed nearly 353,000 around the globe.

Unlike traditional vaccines, including seasonal flu shots, which inject the body with small doses of a virus to encourage it to produce antibodies, the theory behind the Moderna messenger RNA, or mRNA, vaccine focuses on the molecular components that attach the virus’s vessel to the body.

We have all seen what a coronavirus molecule looks like — a ball with spoke-like protrusions which are called an S proteins. When that molecule enters the body, the spokes attach to a body’s healthy cells and allow the virus to attack. Rather than treat the cells after they’re infected with the virus, the Moderna vaccine focuses on ways to convince the body to produce antibodies that prevent the spokes from attaching to the body’s healthy cells. In other words, if the treatment works, even if the virus gets in the body, it will not get a foothold before the body

flushes it out.

It is a two part process, and Hulme said his bloodwork is showing his body has the same level of antibodies as someone who had the virus and recovered. Using the blood of someone who has recovered is another treatment method, called convalescence plasma therapy, which has been used since for at least a century.

While the results are preliminary, they are encouraging. Moderna is reporting “after two doses all participants evaluated to date ... seroconverted with binding antibody levels at or above levels seen in convalescent sera.” Basically, that means there is an equivalent amount of antibodies as someone who has recovered from the virus. As during any testing phase for any vaccination, there are some risks associated and three of the subjects — Hulme is not one of them — who got the largest dose of experimental vaccine did suffer what is known as Grade 3 symptoms that include pain, nausea and fever.

The first round of tests focused on healthy subjects. Hulme — who runs five miles a day and hikes and bikes — said an otherwise healthy friend was willing to be part of the experiment but was refused because she had kidney issues. The next step, which recently got the expedited OK by the federal Food and

Drug Administration, is to expand the number of subjects to 600 and then, in July, if those results are as promising, the Phase III efficacy trial will expand the sampling to 10,000 people. Testing will then, since a successful vaccination will have to be available to everyone, expand to who are the most vulnerable to serious illness from COVID-19 like the elderly and those with underlying health conditions.

It is one of more than 100 serious efforts around the world to develop a vaccine for the virus and is widely considered one of the leading contenders. In the end, there could be three or four companies that make vaccines. The notion of stopping a disease before it attaches to a body has far reaching implications and, conceptually, could be applied to other coronaviruses, the season flu, cancer, Multiple Sclerosis and a host of other illnesses.

“It is truly an honor to be a part of something like this,” said Hulme, a graphic designer at Emory University whose father did pharmaceutical research and mother had an advanced degree in chemistry, an uncommon accomplishment for a woman in the 1950s. “I grew up in a scientific household, and had an appreciation for the rigors of science instilled at an early age.”

The rigors

Developing a vaccine is an exact science, and can take years. Once it passes a battery of trials to determine if the vaccine is safe — since traditional vaccines do involve injecting a person with a dose of the actual virus, the cure can’t be worse than the illness — it must navigate

the FDA licensure process.

Once a viable vaccine is produced in a laboratory setting, it has to be mass manufactured to, theoretically in the case of COVID-19, treat everyone on the globe and then distributed and administered. According to the U.S. Census World Clock, there were 7.7 billion people on the planet as of Tuesday, May 26. In the U.S. there are 329.7 million people with a birth every nine seconds and a death every 12 seconds.

There are more than 100 viable vaccination experiments going on and the timeframe — including the conventional method of growing the virus in a petri dish — is on an unprecedented fast track. But, even given the best case scenario, the soonest a vaccine will be ready for widespread dissemination is January 2021. And even

time and cannot be short circuited when working to create a safe and effective vaccine that will be used worldwide in different types of people of different ages.”

With some of the top minds in the nation working on vaccinations for all sorts of diseases, they are seldom 100 percent effective. The strain of virus that causes seasonal flu changes every year and even when the vaccination and the strain match up perfectly, there is still about a 30 percent chance of getting it.

There is still not a vaccine for HIV AIDS, which has infected some 75 million people and killed some 32 million since the mid 1980s. Instead doctors treat the symptoms. Conversely, there is a vaccine for tuberculosis, yet according to the World Health Organization, it is



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that is a longshot.

“This is a highly ambitious goal and, although a possibility, it far exceeds any vaccine development timeline in the past,” Dr. Larry S. Schlessinger, an infectious disease specialist and the chief executive officer and president of the Texas Biomedical Research Institute, told Healthline. “Several steps done in parallel can cut some time (e.g., starting manufacturing vaccines during early clinical studies) but the fundamental steps that need to be taken through clinical trials and animal studies take

one of the leading causes of death on the globe. In 2018, an estimated 10 million people were diagnosed with TB and 1.5 million died.

While social distancing, wearing masks and eliminating mass gatherings like concerts and sporting events is effective, a vaccine is a more effective and efficient way to control the spread while we return to some semblance of normalcy.

“It really is cutting edge. This vaccine approach has never been done before,” Hulme said. “We all have our fingers crossed it will work.”

LIBRARIES

Curbside pickup

We are finalizing our no-contact

curbside pickup procedures. We'll begin testing this process out on those who have existing holds from March, so we can fine-tune it for efficiency and safety. Once curbside pickup is fully running, patrons will be able to retrieve items on hold at the library from 2 to 6 p.m., Monday-Friday.

We are preparing to receive all of those books, movies and other items you have been waiting to return since we closed our doors. We're setting up some temporary drop-off areas that will allow us to keep the returned items untouched for 72 hours before processing.

Proposed budget

The library budget and



Board of Trustees vote will be held Tuesday, June 9. It will take place entirely by absentee ballot, which is being mailed to households in the Bethlehem Central School District.

For the 2020-21 fiscal year, the library has a proposed budget of \$4.48 million. The levy portion of the budget comes in at about \$4.2 million, an increase of 2.64 percent over last year and within the state-mandated spending cap. The spending plan will allow the library to continue serving you today as we prepare for a time when we can be a community gathering place once again. In the coming months, we will carefully analyze spending and seek cost savings where possible until we can better gauge

the economic impact of this unexpected challenge and how it will affect our budget in the future. It is important to us that we deliver the best library services at the greatest value to you.

Also on the ballot this year are two trustee seats. The six candidates for trustee – Marc Gronich, Kristi Narang, Mary Phillips, Lisa Scoons (incumbent), Ryan Venter and Charmaine Wijeyesinghe – had an opportunity to introduce themselves recently and talk a little bit about why they are running at our virtual Meet the Candidates Night. You can watch a recording of the event on our YouTube channel. Visit www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org/about-us/board-of-trustees/2020-election-and-budget-vote.

— Kristen Roberts

Mail-in ballots

Voting on our annual budget and Board of Trustees candidates is being conducted solely by mail-in absentee ballot this year, per Executive Order.

Guilderland Central School District mailed absentee ballots with a prepaid return envelope to all qualified voters on May 28.

Completed ballots must be received by the school district by Tuesday, June 9 at 5 p.m.

Please see www.guilderlandschools.org for questions regarding this year's voting process.

Guilderland Public Library has five candidates for three open Board of Trustees positions - three incumbents and two first-time candidates.

They are, in ballot order: Marcia Alazraki, Herbert Hennings, Mark



Keeling, Philip Metzger, and Richard Rubin.

More information on the candidates and the proposed budget may be found by clicking on the last two links at the bottom of this web page: www.guilderlandlibrary.org/get-to-know-us/people/board-of-trustees/.

Reopening plans

We are diligently preparing to begin offering contactless curbside service for checking out and returning materials.

We anticipate these services beginning in mid-June as the initial phase of our gradual reopening.

At this juncture, only staff in staggered teams will be allowed into our building.

Appointments will be made in advance to

check out materials at our parking lot, and materials returned will be quarantined for 72 hours, then sanitized.

Please note – we are not yet ready to take such appointments at this time.

More details will be communicated next week

Book Discussion

This month, we're reading "The Mountains Sing" by Nguyen Phan Que Mai, which is available for download as an eBook or audiobook on Hoopla.

To participate in our video meeting on Monday, June 8 at 7:30 p.m., please register through the Events tab on our website, and include your email address.

Another option is to join the GPL Night Owls Book Club on goodreads.com.

— Luanne Nicholson



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NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

1018 59TH STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/08/20. 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, 201 Avenue P, Brooklyn, NY 11204. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245636

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

104 W. 120TH ST. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/24/20. 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, 7 Mortar Rock Road, Westport, CT 06880. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244937

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

15 SAVOY AVE HOLDING, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/21/20. 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 Anthony N. Focarile, Esq. 135 Deer Park Avenue, Suite 5, Babylon, NY 11702. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246386

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

151 ATLANTIC 2A, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/26/20. 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 Atlantic Avenue, #2A, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246491

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

1716 ADAMS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/20/20. 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, 605 Morris Park Avenue, Bronx, NY 10460. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244597

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

176 IRVING AVENUE HOLDINGS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/07/20. 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

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cess against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 176 Irving Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11237. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245633

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

178 IRVING AVENUE HOLDINGS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/07/20. 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, 178 Irving Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11237. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245634

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

220 RSB 25CD, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/05/20. 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, 220 Riverside Boulevard, Apartment 25C, New York, NY 10069. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245020

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

333 EAST 34TH STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/28/20. 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, 10 E. 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246737

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

333 EAST 69TH STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/26/20. 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, 10 E. 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246492

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

402 ST. MARKS PLACE PARTNERS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/12/20. 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, 25 Midland Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10306. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244622

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

41-29 52nd STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/24/20. 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

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Irhan Balic, 49 Victoria Lane, #1, Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244938

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

471 SAPHIRE APARTMENTS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/12/20. 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, 417 7th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11215. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245787

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

55 WEST 46TH STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/27/20. 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, 10 E. 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246580

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

71-04 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/04/20. 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, 141-08 70th Avenue, Flushing, NY 11367. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245354

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

91 NEW DORP PLAZA, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/17/19. 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, 91 New Dorp Plaza, 2nd Floor, Staten Island, NY 10306. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245921

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

93 KEYSTONE APARTMENTS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/12/20. 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, 417 7th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11215. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245788

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

A.D.S. BROS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/15/20. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2119. 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, 1977 E. 16th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11229. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246566

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NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

A.LIVE WORLDWIDE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/21/20. 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 B. Berger, 8801 Shore Road, 2F East, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245506

LEGAL NOTICE

Absentee ballots will be sent out to all voters and must be returned by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9, 2020. If you do not receive a ballot by June 5 and believe you should have, please contact the district clerk at (518) 765-3313 Ext. 101 or jtabakian@voorheesville.org. Ballots will include a postage-paid envelope so voters can return them by mail. D-246693

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

ANGEL DUFFY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/22/20. 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, 1160 Third Avenue, 5E, New York, NY 10065. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244719

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

BLACK BEERED NERD, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/28/20. 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, 3099 George Urban Boulevard, Depew, NY 14043. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246746

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

BLACK CLOUD PROPERTIES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/13/20. Office: Greene County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served.

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SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, PO Box 506, Preston Hollow, NY 12469. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244899

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

BRIAN P MURRAY GLOBAL CONSULTING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/24/20. 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, 8 Pauley Lane, Slingerlands, NY 12159. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244961

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

BRIDGEVIEW III E LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/15/20. 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, 9322 Third Avenue, Suite 502, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246105

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

BRIDGEVIEW III H LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/15/20. 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, 9322 Third Avenue, Suite 502, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246106

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

CANAM CAPITAL 595 WEA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/22/20. 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, 595 West End Avenue, Apartment 4/5, New York, NY 10024. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244721

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

CASCADE CLEANING CONTRACTORS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/14/20. 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 Matt Flashner, 2 Averly Place, Smithtown, NY 11787. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245946

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

CAYE JOAILLIER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/12/20. 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 Ayesha Mehta, 601 West

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57th Street, Suite 30G, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245780

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

CITYWIDE LOGISTICS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/19/20. 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, 1877 East 21st Street, Brooklyn, NY 11229. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246190

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

COMFORT HOMES REALTY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/23/09. Latest date to dissolve: 01/01/2030. 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, 2705 Eastchester Road, Bronx, NY 10469. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245022

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

CROSBY 54 INVESTORS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/20/20. 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, 51 Wooster Street, Floor 3, New York, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244591

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

CUSTOM DESIGN INNOVATIONS LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 03/05/20. Originally filed with Secretary of State of New Jersey on 04/18/2017. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 740 Poole Avenue, Hazlet, NJ 07730. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245340

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

DoubleOhVii LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/04/20. 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, 10 Jagger Lane, West Hampton, NY 11977. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245353

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

DUTCH DISINFECT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/30/20. 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 Thomas van de Veer-

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donk, 8 Lookout Pass, Putnam Valley, NY 10579. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245179

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

EASTON PROPERTIES REAL ESTATE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/11/20. 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, 126 E. 10th Street, New York, NY 10003. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245738

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

EKA CONTRACTING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/07/20. 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, 20-38 169th Street, White-stone, NY 11357. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245545

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

EMPR II LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/11/20. 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, 381 Park Avenue South, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245897

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

ERIPIO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/18/20. 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, 36-05 28th Avenue, Astoria, NY 11103. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246123

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

FAB JDJ, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/17/20. 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, 100 Morton Street, Apartment 8DW, New York, NY 10014. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244525

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

FF GUERREROS DELI & GROCERY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/01/20. 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, 440 Foster Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11230. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245280

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NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

FJB SPORTS CARDS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/22/20. 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, 120 East 85th Street, New York, NY 10028. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244934

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

GAIL 76 INVESTORS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/20/20. 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, 51 Wooster Street, Floor 3, New York, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244592

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

GIANNIS REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/29/20. 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, 7916 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245076

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

GREATER THINGS ROASTERS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/20/20. 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, 2433 US Route 9W, Ravena, NY 12143. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245453

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

GREEN GRASS HOLDINGS, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 05/22/20. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 05/20/20. 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, 214 N. 11th Street, Apartment 4T, Brooklyn, NY 11211. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246573

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

HOWARD 25 INVESTORS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/20/20. 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, 51 Wooster Street, Floor 3, New York, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244593

NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION

ISABEL JAY, LCSW, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/22/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated

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down. At the time, it had just eight people, including a core group of her friends and her daughter.

"My daughter is an only child and when COVID-19 hit and I had to work from home, I was going to the store and buying crafts and materials to make gift bags and drop them off at friends' houses who each had

an only child too," Craft said. "I had Emily do virtual art dates on Facebook Messenger with four friends and they began painting canvases."

This art project grew to include painting on rocks and wood and the "Spreading Love and Kindness in the 518" group also grew via word of mouth throughout Craft's neighborhood, the local community and also encouraged local businesses to donate goods. Craft said group members provide or buy their own materials, including

collecting rocks, cutting wood and getting paint.

As the group continued making and pooling their artworks, they began donating them to the Albany Fire Department, the Glenmont Abbey Village, the Albany Medical Center, Albany's Beltrone Living Center and the VMC.

"We want to let them know that people are thinking of them and it's been a trying time," Craft said, explaining the message



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behind the painted artworks. "Pieces had messages about hope, love and peace. People have been so used to being so social and this is kind of our way of giving back."

Looking ahead, Craft said she is interested in doing something for local police and fire departments, and the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk school district.

For more information, visit the group's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/groups/2299944120305712.

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ed as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 119 Payson Avenue, New York, NY 10034. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Licensed Clinical Social Work. D-245023

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

J.E.T.L. REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/09/09. 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, 869 Yonkers Ave, Yonkers, NY 10704. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246149

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

JPM REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/05/20. 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 Tuch & Cohen LLP, 1025 Old Country Road, Suite 411, Westbury, NY 11590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245398

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

JRHP REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/22/20. 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, 7916 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244725

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

KAIA PARTNERS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/11/20. 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, 308 East 38th Street, Unit 12, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245279

NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION

KALTER LAW, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/05/20. Office: Albany County.

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SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 1325 Avenue of the Americas, 28th Floor, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Law. D-246387

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

KARP & RO SPIRITS COMPANY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/06/19. 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 Brett Rogosin, 511 East 20th Street, Apartment 4A, New York, NY 10010. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246337

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

LEPAS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/18/20. 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, 36-05 28th Avenue, Astoria, NY 11103. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246124

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LMS GOLF LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/30/20. Office: Columbia 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, 2839 State Route 203, Valatie, NY 12184. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245734

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MBK CONSTRUCTION LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/12/20. Office: Greene 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, 13 Green Lake Road, PO Box 462, Leeds, NY 12451. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245782

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MERCER 9 INVESTORS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/20/20. Office: Albany

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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, 51 Wooster Street, Floor 3, New York, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244594

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MIMISH DESIGNS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/20/20. 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, 135-24 Hillside Avenue, Richmond Hill, NY 11418. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246413

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MINDFUL MEDIATION LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/12/20. 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, 9 Royden Road, Tenafly, NJ 07670. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245783

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MR. FLOWER FANTASTIC, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/28/20. 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 Heller Horowitz & Feit, P.C., 260 Madison Avenue, 17th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244935

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

NEON TILAPIA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/21/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 41-21 28th Street, Apartment 4F, Long Island City, NY 11101. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-244647

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

NEWCO CAPITAL GROUP II LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 05/08/20. Orig-

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inally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 05/05/20. 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, 90 Broad Street, Suite 903, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246293

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

NEWCO CAPITAL GROUP III LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 05/08/20. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 05/05/20. 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, 90 Broad Street, Suite 903, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246294

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

NEWCO CAPITAL GROUP IV LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 05/08/20. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 05/05/20. 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, 90 Broad Street, Suite 903, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246295

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

NEWCO CAPITAL GROUP LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 04/28/20. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 04/16/20. 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, 90 Broad Street, Suite 903, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-245383

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

PASADENA LEISURE CLUB LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/12/20. 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, 495

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It's time to wake up

Our youth make inappropriate jokes not knowing the context or the weight of the situation surrounding the punchline. Unfortunately, some of those kids grow up never properly learning.

My first brush with prejudice happened on the playground while I was in second grade. Yes, I'm a white man. Yes, I've spent the majority of my life in the predominantly white community of Bethlehem. What the hell do I know about prejudice?

Humble was a modern-day boomtown 20 miles northeast of Houston, Texas. Its schools were bloated by the growing number of kids enrolling each year. Imagine Bethlehem Central today and double it. Give it a half dozen

more years, then double it again. It was the days of Big Oil, Dallas and J.R. Ewing. The blacktop in front of our shiny, new elementary school was soft and the coat of lead-based paint was still fresh. It tasted curiously yummy after running our hands across its interior walls.

Unlike Bethlehem, which according to the latest census is more than 90 percent Caucasian, Humble was more diverse. Not by much though. A quick glance through my old yearbook reveals a similar breakdown to today's Humble; 70 percent White, and the other 30 percent consisting of Black, Latino and other nationalities. My best friend, Navin, was of Indian descent.

In recess, kids played ball, engineered roads for their Hot

Wheels, or slalomed in and out of trees in a fevered game of tag. It would be another year before we received a playground set to replace our blank slate of dirt and clay. It was fine. Until it wasn't fine. I recall one recess seeing Navin crying in fits as he walked away from the gaggle of teachers gossiping near the building.

Kids cry on the playground. They run. They fall. They scrape a knee. They go to a teacher and maybe they sit down for a bit or run off to the nurse. So, something didn't fit the equation. I asked him what was wrong. He told me one of the kids called him the N-word. At that age, I knew what it meant. Even if I didn't, I could see how it affected my friend. The kid who said it was one of those future civil engineers playing in the dirt.

Navin had asked if he could play along. He was refused. He told the teachers. They did nothing.

A decade later, I'm thinking of a future outside of high school when a grainy videotape out of Los Angeles surfaces on television. A man is crumpled in a heap on the ground as two police officers, standing like Pedro Guerrero at the plate, proceed to beat on him. And beat on him. When the camera's eye finally comes into focus, the beating appears to happen within a few minutes. More than 84 million Americans watched the Super Bowl on broadcast television that year. It's safe to assume nearly as many watched that grainy video and decided someone was guilty. Four police officers faced

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Thank you to doctors

I want to offer my sincere thanks to our local doctors and medical professionals for tirelessly giving of themselves and bravely fighting the coronavirus epidemic. Just as they selflessly give of themselves in our time of need, Senators Schumer, Gillibrand and all of Congress need to support them in the next CARES act.

This is especially true of emergency doctors who are on the front

lines of this crisis and faced with resources that are stretched thin. With revenue gone from scheduled and elective surgeries that were cancelled, coronavirus is a threat to the viability of our healthcare system, both now and in the future.

So, while they are risking their own health and bearing the burden of potentially infecting their families, we need to support them more than

ever. Congress took care of first responders after 9/11 and the same recognition for doctors only seems appropriate today.

With support from our Senators and Congress - and gratitude from us all - doctors will emerge from this crisis prepared to get back to their regular practices and procedures. Let's hope that day comes sooner than later.

Geninne Magiera
Schenectady

Dem DA candidates to debate

ALBANY — The two Democratic Party candidates for district attorney will square off in a virtual debate on June 4.

The debate between four-term incumbent David Soares and his opponent Matthew Toporowski will be live streamed on YouTube from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

It will follow a debate between two other Democrats, Assemblyman John McDonald, also a four-term incumbent, and his challenger Albany County Legislator Sam Fein, who represents District 6, which includes parts of the South End, Ten Broeck Triangle, Mansion and the Pastures neighborhoods.

The debates are sponsored by the Council of Albany Neighborhoods Associations and the Albany County league of Women Voters.

Voters can submit questions prior to the event through an online form found on the website of the Albany County League of Women Voters website at lwvaalbany.org.

It can be watched on the league's YouTube channel.

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charges in court. None were found guilty. That's when the riots started.

When Los Angeles was set ablaze, the images looked similar to those captured in 1965. Talking head newscasters said as much, but for me those references were a lifetime ago. That was when Jim Crow laws regulated people of color as "separate but equal." That was ancient history in my mind, as the world worshipped pop culture idols of Michael Jordan, Bill Cosby and Michael Jackson. They were separated from the rest of the world only by their greatness. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was honored by Washington with a National Holiday in his name. I spoke with my supervisor at the Bethlehem Public Library, Shirley Seyler. She was always eager to speak of current events in the lunchroom. We shook our heads in disbelief wondering what that jury saw that we didn't.

Today, Minneapolis is burning. A rebellion ensues after a handcuffed black man, George Floyd, was killed under the knee of a white police officer.

Sorry. Professional obligations require I write allegedly killed.

We do live in different times. Today's video was not grainy. It captured every detail, from Floyd's desperate pleas for help, to the indifferent look across Derek Chauvin's face as he looked at bystanders screaming at him to get his knee off Floyd's neck. Police officers from different agencies across the country have spoken against the act on social media — something rarely seen within a fraternity of law enforcement officers so highly scrutinized. A few said that hold was never taught to them and rebuked the thought of using it. Another questioned the situation

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as a first-responder: shouldn't it be instinctive to provide aid when someone asks for help? Of the video comments I watched, nearly all failed to hesitate to use the word "murder." According to The Washington Post, a criminal complaint cites Chauvin had his knee on Floyd's neck for 8 minutes and 46 seconds.

Again, allegedly.

When I first heard the phrase "white privilege," I balked. I was forced to identify something I could not see. It drew out feelings of denial and frustration as the notion suggested I obtained my job, my home and my social status by means other than my own merits. I can't answer for the people who hired me, who accepted my

mortgage request, or for those who choose to call me a friend. How is that my responsibility? But, then I remember looking through my work file years ago from another employer; reading over my interview assessment and seeing how I was judged favorably for wearing a suit and tie. How, perhaps the same thing was done when I applied for my loan. Sure, I've been pulled over by the police. I have friends and family on the force. I've never had to fear for my life. But, I know some of my friends have. It may not be because of my friends in blue, or my family behind the shield or the majority of the nearly 700,000 law enforcement officers in this country. But, here we are. It doesn't make my friends' fears any less valid.

Time has a way of snapping events into perspective. As I write these words down, it has been 10,253 days since the Los Angeles Riots. That is a lot of time spent in back rooms talking about race relations amongst faces that look like mine. For my own edification, that's more time than that passed between the Watts Rebellion and Rodney King's beating. And, between those 20,006 days we have had similar incidents, followed by similar riots, in an ugly chain of events that doesn't seem to end. But, I come back to this idea of white privilege and the conflict I once had with it, and I go back to that playground when I channeled all of my anger towards that 8-year-old kid who probably didn't understand the weight and context of that word. Those teachers sure as hell did, and I'm just now coming to terms with that.

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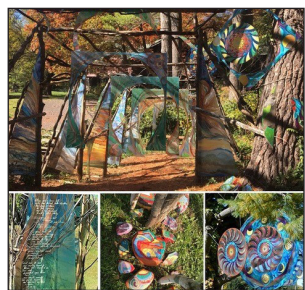
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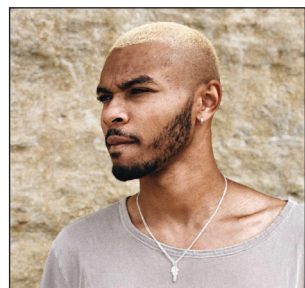
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Bring on the fear

The name of Frank Palangi's new album takes brand new meaning amidst quarantine

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**
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One of Frank Palangi's last gigs was playing the National Anthem wearing his ubiquitous leather jacket on the home ice of the Adirondack Thunder hockey team. Since then, the door for such opportunities has been slammed shut with the promise life won't be quite the same once it opens again.

Palangi was already in the midst of releasing his fourth album "Bring on the Fear" when the COVID-19 pandemic started its spread. Despite the name, he insists the name is a mere case of coincidence.

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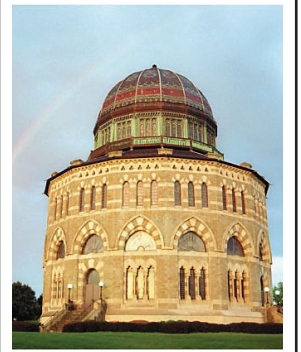
"Bring on the fear means bring on the thing that is unknown. Some people, they have stage fright, or they're afraid to go to that next level. For me, it's another fancy way of saying, 'I am ready.'"

Frank Palangi,
Singer-songwriter

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A beautiful sunset ducks behind the Collar City Bridge.




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Capital District natives co-chair first ever Virtual Capital Region Heart Walk

ALBANY — With the recent coronavirus pandemic keeping more Americans at home, the American Heart Association, the leading voluntary health organization focused on heart and brain health for all, is embracing the new normal and moving its iconic Capital Region Heart Walk and Run, set for Sunday, June 7, online.

The Capital Region Heart Walk and Run is a fun and meaningful way to celebrate heart and stroke survivors, raise lifesaving funds and encourage physical activity. Participants can walk or run – or bike or do yoga or any kind of activity they wish – where they are, and post photos with the hashtag #HeartWalk518. There will be a program of activities from 9 a.m. to noon on the Virtual Capital Region Heart Walk event page on the AHANewYork Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/events/2471101523158844/>.

For Mike Trimarchi, the chief financial officer at CommerceHub, and Jennifer Chatt, executive vice president and chief people officer at CHA Consulting, the Capital Region Heart Walk that is taking place is very different than the one they began

planning almost a year ago. “Going virtual will make this year’s Heart Walk and Run unique and most importantly allows us to continue the tradition of rallying the community around this incredible mission and I’m looking forward to the day,” Chatt said.

“The Heart Association always receives tremendous local support,” Trimarchi added. “Now more than ever, it’s critical that we embrace their mission of saving lives and raising awareness about key health issues.”

With a goal of \$630,000 in contributions for the Capital Region Heart Walk and nearly \$2 million invested in local research and programs by the American Heart Association each year, the funding raised in this event ultimately will be invested back into the Capital Region.

“We were always fortunate to have Jenn and Mike co-chairing the 2020 Capital Region Heart Walk and Run,” Theresa Petrone Butts, chair of the Capital Region Advisory Board of the American Heart Association, and Leader of IT Vendor Management at MVP Healthcare, said. “As the whole world changed, they and the entire ELT have adapted and innovated, and I know the Heart Walk will continue to save lives in the Capital Region and beyond.”

The co-chairs, both of whom were born and

raised in the Capital Region, are joined by an Executive Leadership Team that includes: Scott Centea, AngioDynamics; Craig Johnson, RN; Sara Rindenello, Albany Med; Mandeep Sidhu, M.D., Albany Med; and Jeffrey Winacott, RN, Saratoga Hospital.

Like so many others, the co-chairs and the companies they represent have personal connections to heart disease and stroke, which unfortunately remain two leading causes of death.

“In 2012, my grandmother had a triple bypass,” Chatt said. “She was living in Florida at the time and has since moved to New York where she has received incredible care, much due in part to the research work of the American Heart Association. She just turned 86 in December and is doing well.”

“CHA’s vision is ‘Responsibly Improving the World We Live In,’” Chatt, a Saratoga resident who grew up north of the Capital Region and has an MBA from the University at Albany, said. “As we currently work through a significant corporate initiative in support of building a sustainable workforce, filled with healthy, safe, and engaged employees, working with the American Heart Association is a natural fit. The work they are doing, around the prevention of cardiovascular disease, and even more timely in researching COVID-19,

will benefit all of us. CHA always has a lot of fun at that Heart Walk, and in many ways, the Virtual Walk is a chance for even more people to participate, since they can walk, run, bike or do any kind of activity where they are, then share their experiences on social media.”

CHA Consulting also has 300 local employees, and more than 1300 in the eastern half of the United States. Their past CEO, Ray Rudolph, chaired the Capital Region Heart Walk in 2015.

As for his passion for the American Heart Association, Trimarchi, who was born in Albany, grew up in Colonie and has a degree from the University at Albany, said, “This cause is very personal for me as I lost both my grandfathers and an uncle to heart disease. I want to limit others experiencing that type of loss and also

do everything possible to see my three kids grow up. The effort of the American Heart Association is focused on helping all of us take those steps and well beyond.”

“CommerceHub also has a number of deep connections to the impacts of heart disease and stroke, so our team was quick to support the American Heart Association,” he said. “This aligns perfectly with our goals around promoting the health and wellness of our employees and our community and we expect the decision to go virtual will dramatically increase participation on June 7th.”

Trimarchi and Chatt also share a work history.

“Jenn and I worked together at AngioDynamics, along with Scott Centea, who is still at Angio and has joined our Executive

Leadership Team for the Heart Walk,” Trimarchi said. “It’s great to be back together – and have other community leaders with us – and to be making a difference for our community.”

“This year’s Heart Walk and Run is different than we thought it would be,” Chatt said. “But the purpose is the same, and we can make a great investment now in the future of the whole community. I’m looking forward to the day.”

People can register or donate to the Capital Region Heart Walk at CapitalRegionHeartWalk.org. There will be a full program of activities on Sunday, June 7 from 9 a.m. to noon on the Virtual Capital Region Heart Walk event page on the AHANewYork Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/events/2471101523158844/>.

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Answers on Pg. B9

editors' playlist **the spot 518**

Ordinary Man
Ozzy Osbourne and Elton John

The Rush
Vince Palmieri

Save Us
Paul McCartney

Seasons
Chris Cornell

Sleepwalkers
CK and The Rising Tide

I didn't want to admit it to my brother, but "Ordinary Man" is fantastic. Elton John and Ozzy Osbourne releasing a song together is truly the best of both worlds. Am I embarrassed to admit this new rock ballad is good? A little. Am I going to play it endlessly in my car anyway? You betcha

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Cameron Gallagher

From page B1 ... Bring on the Fear

"I didn't know, but it actually fits into it: the title, 'Bring on the Fear,' and the single is called 'Gone Mad,'" Palangi said. "It's like, yeah, I can relate to that [now]." He laughs.

Palangi was just bringing chicken back into the house from the grill when I called. He was preparing to make a sauce with it, so he said he had the time. Grilled

chicken parm. Frankly, he hasn't had the opportunity to gig since venues closed three months ago. He's been filling in some of that time by producing a podcast in which he features an area musician with each episode. Recently, he spoke with American Idol's Madison Vandenburg and followed that with another interview with The

Voice's Moriah Formica. "Things to kind of keep busy," he said. "People like to see what they're doing and what I've been up to."

As a musician, music dictates Palangi's schedule. Aside from the artist side of him, he teaches guitar lessons, produces and records music for area musicians. But, no one's been allowed in the studios as of late. He was born with asthma, sometimes compounded by seasonal allergies. The asthma was something that prevented

him from playing sports as a kid. As a singer, he's conscious not to over extend his schedule, too. So despite the current virus known to trigger severe respiratory issues, he's careful not to expose himself.

"That's another reason why I have to stay safe," Palangi said. "I can't have anybody over to record, or [do] lessons right now. Everything has to be online. I had to be careful before so I'm kind of used to it."

The album drops Friday,

June 5. A video release of one of its tracks "Gone Mad" debuted last month. It's the first track from Palangi's fourth studio album. He said this work is "a little bit" darker and heavier from previous releases, but he still wouldn't call it heavy metal.

"Bring on the fear means bring on the thing that is unknown. Some people, they have stage fright, or they're afraid to go to that next level. For me, it's another fancy way of saying, 'I am ready,'" Palangi said. "The theme is a little heavier — it's the heaviest out of the four. It's not so heavy that it's metal-metal. But, it's heavier than the other three."

Palangi said the phrase draws from his drive to push himself out of his comfort zone. Pursuing a dream can be scary, but the only way to grow and learn and to step out and face that fear, he said.

The video pairs Palangi back with director Cameron Gallagher. Gallagher previously directed Palangi's "Break These Chains" video. He also directed Vince Palmeri's video for "Guilty Pleasure," which debuted two weeks ago.

"Bring the Fear" is self-produced and mastered by Grammy Award-nominated producer Robert Venable.

Palangi also teams up with Kelly Clarkson's drummer Lester Estelle, and Brian Craddock and Brandon Maclin from Daughtry. The EP features five tracks in streaming format, but the CD that will be available for purchase on Palangi's website will include a total of 14 songs.

You can order your copy of "Bring on the Fear" on Amazon and iTunes.

Now is usually the time in which musicians have booked themselves to various outdoor venues for summer live music. But with no one booking shows, Palangi said he's already facing up to a grim reality. Technology allows him to continue his lessons online, and he's able to record and produce music from his Queensbury home. From there, he said, he's planning to produce tracks he can sell to the film industry. But live music is not in the near future.

"I can say that I'm not probably playing out this year at all," he said. "I have, maybe one or two small things in the fall, or August, I'm still thinking about those. If it gets worse, then no. But, I don't want to play in a bar. It's too small. It's too cramped, now. You just can't risk it."

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- Guinea peoples
- Fellow
- About aviation
- Able to make amends
- Easy to perceive
- Cut off
- Northeast Thai language
- Earthy pigment
- Water nymphs
- Returned material authorization (abbr.)
- Those who deal
- Apply a new fabric
- Confusions
- "To ___ his own"
- Lowest point of a ridge between two peaks
- Heavy cavalry sword
- Partner to pain
- A type of savings account
- In a way, felt pain
- Wide-beamed sailing dinghy
- Consume
- Jewish spiritual leader
- Body part
- Midway between south and southeast
- Cheek

CLUES DOWN

- Indicates a certain time (abbr.)
- Expression of sorrow or pity
- Central American lizard
- Muslim military commanders
- One who takes to the seas
- Select jury
- Parts of the small intestine
- Painter's accessory
- Honk
- Ballpoint pen
- Large, dark antelope
- Ancient kingdom near Dead Sea
- Exhausts
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- Not written in any key or mode
- Chinese principle underlying the universe
- Corpuscle count (abbr.)
- Powdery, post-burning residue
- Company that rings receipts
- Rugged mountain range
- Commercials
- NY football player
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- Natural electrical phenomena
- Your
- Diana ___, singer
- Upper surface of the mouth
- National capital
- Fluid in Greek mythology
- Renowned jazz trumpeter
- Freedom from difficulty
- Swiss river
- Prejudice
- Actor Idris
- Revolutionaries
- Criticize

Answers on Pg. B9

ARTS

An artistic view in Voorheesville

By **DIEGO CAGARA**
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VOORHEESVILLE — Despite COVID-19, ART on the Rail Trail announced a new public art project will be located along the Albany County Rail Trail between Main and Grove streets in Voorheesville by early July.

The new project will be called “Crossroads: Transforming Uncertainty” by Mount Tremper-based curator, public and gallery artist Susan Togut who has been involved in art since the 1980s.

“I’m going to make a series of about eight installations on both left and right sides of the trail which will have illuminated panels in different shapes with texts and inspiring messages sprinkled throughout,” she said. “I’ve often made contemplative environments and it’s a journey really. It’s not just a single spot.”

The illuminated panels will be hand-painted and either be free-standing or placed in trees along the trail.

Togut’s public art environment will be inspired by Voorheesville’s origins as a location where two railroads crossed each other in a farm field in the 19th century. It will include imagery and messages that reference both that time period and how uncertain times are today — a reference to how people are at a metaphorical crossroads too due to COVID-19.

Togut said the public can enjoy public art more as more people visit parks and

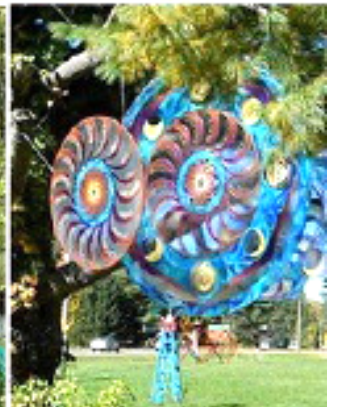
recreational spaces during the pandemic.

“You can’t go to a gallery or museum now and the whole crux of public art is that you happen to come upon them as opposed to consciously having to go to an art spot,” Togut said. “Any person may or may not care about art but when they encounter public art, that’s a beautiful thing. Public art is more holistic and integrates into daily life because it’s extremely accessible to all people. With the pandemic and health precautions now, the fact that it’s outdoors makes it safe and lovely.”

Togut said she had planned on including an on-site workshop for local residents to make rock paintings with her but she dropped the idea because of concerns about people not practicing social distancing and how the Rail Trail continues to be crowded since the pandemic began.

Julie Sasso, the ART Chair, agreed with Togut’s earlier statement. “Public art is free and accessible out there and people come upon it. The timing of this project would be enjoyed by more people in an otherwise bleak time.”

She said Togut’s installations will be the sixth art piece to be featured along the Rail Trail, after five murals were put up since 2017. This year, ART received five proposal submissions by May 1 from artists looking to install their artworks this summer along the trail.



Susan Togut

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ARIES - MAR 21/APR 20

Your strong will and courage makes you capable of anything, Aries. Just be sure to use your powers for good; otherwise, it can be easy to get in over your head.

TAURUS - APR 21/MAY 21

Add an extra dash of charm to your requests, Taurus. You just may find that things go your way a little more easily. Have a partner work with you on a fun task.

GEMINI - MAY 22/JUN 21

Gemini, inspiration flourishes and you may feel some romantic sparks grow as well. Your senses are enhanced by all the things you experience around you the next few days.

CANCER - JUN 22/JUL 22

This week your efforts to take care of home and family will pay off in big ways, Cancer. You have a knack for maintaining peace and tranquility even when situations are hazy.

LEO - JUL 23/AUG 23

This week you may be examining your relationships and seeing which areas have room for improvement, Leo. This is your opportunity to really make some important changes.

VIRGO - AUG 24/SEPT 22

Virgo, a situation arises that can bring you a much-needed financial boost. This boost is a result of the hard work that you've put in over the last several weeks.

LIBRA - SEPT 23/OCT 23

Lately you may be feeling more emotional, Libra. Talk about your feelings with someone close to you. Sometimes speaking about things can help you sort through everything.

SCORPIO - OCT 24/NOV 22

Listen to your dreams this week, Scorpio. They will guide you where you really want to go in life. Explore all the possibilities that come your way.

SAGITTARIUS - NOV 23/DEC 21

Sagittarius, if you have been in a sociable mood, then embrace every opportunity to gather with friends or family when the opportunity presents itself.

CAPRICORN - DEC 22/JAN 20

Capricorn, this is a great week to take credit for all of the things you have accomplished lately. You will gain traction on projects and may even be able to take on new ones.

AQUARIUS - JAN 21/FEB 18

A goal to learn as much as possible is drawing you to the people who can offer you important life lessons. Take opportunities to engage in philosophical debates.

PISCES - FEB 19/MAR 20

Pisces, a hint that comes your way from a friend or coworker can be the clue that you need to achieve a goal that has thus far been out of reach.

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Wood-Grilled Shrimp and Yellow Peppers

Ingredients: Serves 6

- 1/2 cup moistened wood chips or dry wood pellets*
- 1 1/2 pounds large shrimp (18 to 20 count), peeled and deveined*
- 30 medium-size spinach leaves*
- 2 yellow, red, or orange bell peppers, stemmed, seeded, and cut into quarters*
- 1/4 cup olive oil*
- Kosher or sea salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste*

Instructions

Prepare a hot fire on one side of your grill for indirect cooking.

Wrap each shrimp loosely with a large spinach leaf. Place the shrimp in a disposable aluminum pan. Lightly season with sea salt and pepper, and then drizzle lightly with olive oil.

For a charcoal grill, throw 1/2 cup moistened wood chips or dry wood pellets directly on the coals right before you want to grill. For a gas grill, enclose the wood chips or pellets in a foil packet with holes poked in the top; place the packet on the grill grate over the heat source.

When you see the first wisp of smoke from the wood, place the shrimp on the indirect side of the heat and the peppers on the direct side. Close the lid and grill for 8 minutes. Open the lid and turn the peppers. Grill for another 8 minutes. Open the lid and turn the peppers. Grill for another 8 minutes, then open the lid and transfer the peppers to the indirect side. Close the lid and transfer the peppers to the indirect side. Close the lid and grill for 15 to 20 minutes more, or until the shrimp are cooked through and they have a pleasant, smoky aroma.

To serve, cut the peppers into strips, arrange on plates, and top with the shrimp.



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LOCAL MUSIC

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The Age

When people speak of the breadth of musical talent in our area, Adrian Lewis is in every conversation.

As The Age, Lewis is both a gifted guitarist and singer. With a neo-soul musical styling, he melds together sounds from the two places he has called home: the serenity of the West Coast with the jazz of New York's late-night scene. Immensely popular within the local scene, but with just two tracks on Spotify and another couple on SoundCloud, he's somewhat allusive. It keeps fans of his music thirsty for more. Well, he's been teasing something new since March from his latest collaboration with The Gents, and he recently dropped a single on SoundCloud.

"Take a Dive" is another joint that jumps in with Lewis playing a soulful guitar, this time backed by

Marcelle Johnson on the piano. It's his trademark sound that will have you swaying in a gentle summer breeze or at that New York jazz club late at night. Put your headphones on, close your eyes and have a listen.

Lewis produced the track along with Gabriel Michael and J. Panucci, the latter of whom mixed the song as well. James Rock engineered the vocals. Lewis also gives credit to Kingston-based guitarist Brandon Rutski. "This song would not be what it is without him."

Log on and listen on SoundCloud.

Vince Palmeri

Vince Palmeri is bored in the house, and he's in the house bored.

Our resident pop artist has apparently lost his mind and is exhibiting unhealthy lifestyle choices in his latest video "Guilty Pleasure." It's essentially a sub-four-minute rundown

of everything you've seen on TikTok. Yeah, stop clownin'. You know you're on there.

Directed by Cameron Gallagher, and produced by Theory and Simone Ermacora, "Guilty Pleasure" puts Palmeri into various situations, sneaking smokes outside in the backyard and escalating his choice of alcohol before feasting away on the couch.

Palmeri has been on a one-man mission to make pop music great again, and he's been doing it piece by piece. This latest track is a tight number just in time for the summertime — and if the clubs were open, it would be worth getting on the dance floor for this one.

"Guilty Pleasure" is available on all streaming platforms. See the video on YouTube.

C.K. and The Rising Tide

Curtis K. Flach has

drawn inspiration from, and has been compared to, different artists from the 60s including Lou Reed and Bob Dylan, but not The Rolling Stones; until now.

C.K. and The Rising Tide dropped a cover of the Stone's 1966 hit on YouTube last week. It's not so much a video as it is just the audio played to the visual of the band's logo on the screen. However, it's a refreshing take from the band known best for its Americana storytelling through song.

Flach and the band have released two albums together since releasing "American Romance" in 2018. Flach was previously solo, and had headlined the MOVE Music Festival with Sawyer Fredericks, and Jocelyn and Chris Arndt. But, while together, the troupe has composed clever, honest and meaningful music rooted in folk-rock and in a little bit of country. The release is a likely hint

that the band is gearing up for yet another album release in as many years.

The song is currently available only on YouTube, but be certain to check Spotify and other streaming media for future releases.

518 Covid Quarantine Compilation

Creative people can't sit idly by at home without producing something. It's out of their nature. A recent compilation is a testament to that statement, and its available now for purchase with proceeds going towards charity.

The 518 Covid Quarantine Compilation is a collection of recordings made by local musicians while the rest of the world fell silent to virus-related shutdowns. Each song was either written or recorded within the past three months by artists who live or who are from the Capital

District.

Curators of the music said that the idea came from viewing many local artists making and sharing recordings online. The compilation showcases the work of more than a dozen artists, including Asa Morris, Architrave, Haunted Cat and more.

Many of the tracks are low-fi productions ranging from electronic to post-punk. All proceeds after Bandcamp fees will go to Direct Relief (<https://www.directrelief.org/>), an international humanitarian aid organization working to obtain protective equipment and medications to healthcare facilities and workers in the fight against COVID19.

Keith Sonin compiled enough music to compose a 17-track album, mastered by Paul Coleman, and sequenced and edited by Jennifer Maher Coleman.

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'A beautiful story'

Albany County Executive Dan McCoy said it was a "beautiful story" as city residents peacefully demonstrated against the death of George Floyd, a black man who died while under police custody in Minneapolis. Floyd was held down to the ground with a knee to his neck. His death sparked riots in several cities. Albany would later be one of them.



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COVID and avoiding the belly bulge



Simple ways to avoid the 'quarantine 15'

Social distancing has led to some surprising and some not so surprising side effects. Many business owners have been pleasantly surprised to learn how smoothly their employees have transitioned to working remotely. On the opposite end of the spectrum, the effects of stay-at-home orders have led to some predictable feelings of restlessness and cabin fever.

One unforeseen consequence of social distancing noted by many people is the "quarantine 15," a term used to refer to weight gained while under stay-at-home orders. An inability to get out and about coupled with the proximity of kitchen can make it easy for people to gain weight as they observe stay-at-home orders. However, there are various ways people can avoid gaining weight while social distancing.

Adhere to a routine

The wellness resource UCI Health notes that lack of structure has been a common side effect of social distancing. But people should adhere to a routine even if they're working from home or have been laid off or furloughed. A routine with established mealtimes can help people avoid random snacking that can contribute to weight gain.

Daily exercise can help people avoid quarantine-related weight gain.

Drink more water

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics notes that mild dehydration can be mistaken for feelings of hunger. Keep track of how much water you're drinking each day, resolving to drink more if you're not consuming enough. If you're not having any water after your morning cup of coffee, the mid-afternoon urges to eat may be signs of mild dehydration and not hunger.

Make time for exercise

Exercise is essential to maintaining a healthy weight. Social distancing has given many people more free time than they know what to do with. Fill the boredom with exercise, utilizing online tutorials to engage in weight-free exercises if necessary. Go for daily strolls around the neighborhood or, if possible, purchase some home gym equipment.

Set goals

One of the ways to stay the course when beginning a fitness regimen is to set goals. Whether you're exercising for the first time in years or replacing regular workouts at a fitness center with exercising at home, set reasonable goals, including how many days a week you hope to exercise and how many pounds, if any, you hope to lose each week.

The quarantine 15 has been an unforeseen consequence of social distancing. Avoiding such weight gain while adhering to social distancing guidelines can be easier than people may think.



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