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## TOP STORY

# National debate walks through town

Community still feels the waves from recent  
'Black Lives Matter' movement

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**T**he Town of Bethlehem is 91 percent white, with a Black population of 2.7 percent according to the latest U.S. Census. After the death of George Floyd, many Bethlehem residents came together to hold a vigil. However, in the days following, residents seemed to become divided rather than united.

On a Monday evening on June 8, over 1,500 people gathered at Bethlehem's Four Corners. Here, protesters took a knee for 8 minutes and 46 seconds: the amount of time George Floyd was on the ground. Then, the protest took an unexpected turn when demonstrators marched down Delaware Avenue and around Delmar. "We wish to honor Mr. Floyd's memory, and also honor the pain and exhaustion caused by the systemic racism at work in our country," organizers wrote on Facebook prior to the event.

At the front and back of the crowd were Bethlehem police officers who closed off the road to traffic. Town Supervisor David VanLuven said this was

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Organizer of 'Back the Blue' rally chooses  
July 4 to support local police force

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**I**n the global conversation over Black Lives Matter, another distinct voice has emerged.

The voice has been muffled, either by political views or a perceived lack of tact, but it nonetheless identifies another group of people many of whom feel attacked for actions they did not make.

Bethlehem has hosted a couple of demonstrations over the fiery topic of race matters. The rallies were peaceful, though they deviated from the original plan of remaining stationary. The protest gathered in Delmar at the Four Corners on Monday, June 8, was intended to remain anchored at the intersection according to a pamphlet circulated prior to the event. Many of the 1,500 people who attended later formed an impromptu procession down Delaware Avenue. The wave of people stopped motorists as they were. All the while, the town's police department scrambled to safely divert traffic away from people on the street.

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## ■ POLICE, COURTS and EMERGENCY CALLS

### Man arrested for Elsmere burglary

**ELSMERE** — Bethlehem police arrested a 51-year-old man in connection with the June burglary of one home and the attempted burglary of two others.

Richard F. Agley was arrested in regards to an on-going burglary investigation. The investigation started on Wednesday, June 17 after Bethlehem police responded to a report of a

residential burglary and an attempted burglary at two other residences on Euclid Avenue in Elsmere.

Investigators said Agley allegedly forced entry into a home during the overnight hours. The home was occupied at the time, yet he allegedly stole a credit card among other undisclosed items once inside the home. The credit card was later used in the city of Albany.

The investigation also

determined that Agley had allegedly attempted to force himself into a second occupied residence, but was unsuccessful. Police are investigating the possibility Agley attempted to force entry into another residence.

Agley has been charged with one count of felony burglary, felony attempted burglary, felony grand larceny, two misdemeanor counts of criminal mischief and another misdemeanor count of identity theft.

Agley was arraigned in Bethlehem Town Court and remanded to the Albany County jail due to having three prior felony convictions. He will be scheduled to reappear in Bethlehem Court in the near future.

Bethlehem Police is asking that any residents in the area who may have observed damage to entry points of their residence during this time frame to contact it at 518-439-9973.

### Altamont Fairgrounds vandalized

**ALTAMONT** — Village police is in search of suspects who vandalized the Altamont Fairgrounds three weeks ago.

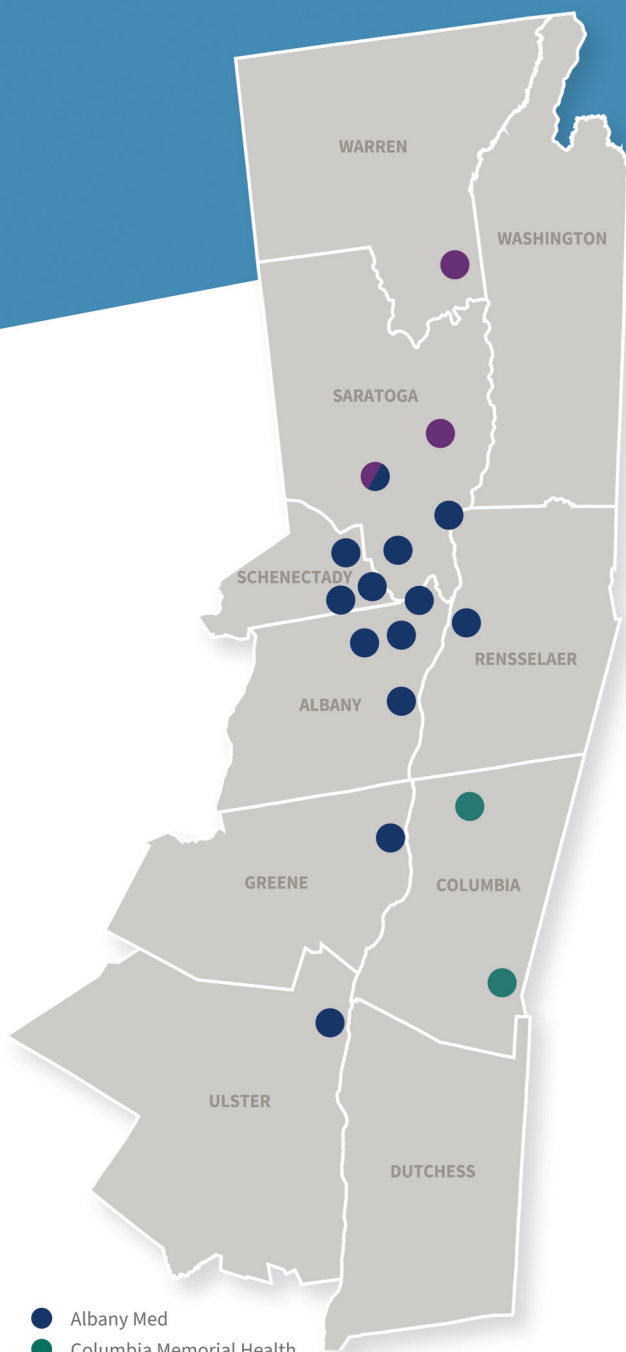
The fairgrounds has been silent since virus-related shutdowns were mandated in March. Those same shutdowns prompted organizers to scrap the annual fair this year. However, when the fairgrounds manager recently visited the site,

graffiti was observed on at least one of the buildings.

According to *The Altamont Enterprise*, the fairgrounds had recently purchased approximately \$4,000 worth of camera monitoring equipment for ground surveillance.

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■ COUNTY GOVERNMENT

# Phase IV starts today

Malls, gyms and movie theaters will remain shuttered

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The eight-county Capital District is set to enter Phase IV today, Wednesday, July 1 but it likely won't look too much different than Phase III.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo said last week movie theaters, gyms and the indoor sections of malls will not open with other entertainment and recreation businesses as previously expected. Casinos, amusement parks, arcades, bowling alleys and indoor concerts are also, for the time being, prohibited.

What is allowed to open are low risk outdoor and indoor arts and entertainment like museums, aquariums and zoos at up to 33 percent capacity outdoors. Movie production is also allowed to commence and institutions of higher education can open their campuses.

It would allow social gatherings of up to 50 people — up from 25 allowed during Phase III.

All businesses, churches and other non-profits must all comply with state guidelines of social distancing, mandating masks and strict sanitization plans.

Pro and college athletics can begin competition but without fans. Low risk youth sports like baseball and softball can begin on July 6 with two fans per player allowed to spectate.

Phase IV is the last phase of re-opening under the approach mandated Cuomo. It remains unclear when the remaining businesses will open but Cuomo said he wants time to study ventilation systems and if they can or cannot filter out COVID-19.

The decision to disallow gyms, movie theaters and indoor section of malls — which will keep many small shops closed in places like Crossgates and Colonie Center — comes at a time when COVID-19 infections and fatalities are at all-time lows in New York state but are spiking in other parts of the country that were quicker to re-open the economies.

In response to the outbreak, Cuomo

along with governors in Connecticut and New Jersey are requiring visitors from states like Florida, Texas, and South Carolina, are required to self-quarantine for two weeks. While the rhetoric calls for fines for violators, Cuomo did admit it will be a difficult mandate to enforce.

Capital District stores and elected officials were under the impression malls and gyms would be open since box stores like Walmart, Home Depot and others were deemed essential and allowed to remain open throughout the pandemic.

Capital District YMCA President and CEO David Brown said his facilities were set to require reservations to keep capacity in check and all the equipment has been spread out to maintain social distancing among exercisers. Masks were to be worn at all times except while working out and temperatures would be taken at the door.

Staff was prepared to train members on how to properly wipe down equipment and the Y already purchased different, more powerful, disinfectant. The facilities upgraded air circulation systems and moved exercise classes around to accommodate social distancing protocols.

Locker rooms and the swimming pools would remain closed.

"We have a very sophisticated plan and we are starting very slowly," he said during a news conference with County Executive Dan McCoy on the same day but prior to Cuomo's announcement. "I feel very confident we will open safely so people can come in and get their workout."

It is not clear how long gyms and malls will remain shuttered or even if they will open congruently.

As of Monday, July 29 there were 1,893 positive cases of COVID-19 in Albany County with 176 people under quarantine and 1,862 who tested positive and recovered. On Monday, there were just 31 active cases with four people hospitalized for a rate of .21 percent.

The number of fatalities as of Monday was 121 with all but two being more than 60 and all but two having underlying health issues.

# Absentees will decide DA's race

**ALBANY** — With the machine votes counted, incumbent District Attorney David Soares holds an unofficial 1,141 lead — 7,221 to 6,080 — over challenger Matthew Toporowski in the Democratic Party primary.

But the race may not be officially decided for a week or more as officials at the Board of Elections sent out more than 28,000 absentee ballots that needed to be postmarked by Tuesday, June 23. As of the deadline, more than 19,000 were received.

The larger number of absentee ballots is due to COVID-19, and the state allowing anyone to vote by absentee without the traditional reasons like an inability to physically get to a polling place due to illness or being out of the area.

Board of Elections officials, along with representatives from each campaign camp, were slated to begin the arduous

task of counting the absentees on Tuesday, July 30. Depending on how the ballots break, it could take more than a week to complete.

Toporowski, 34, was an ADA in Soares' office and criticized his former boss for being too quick to prosecute rather than addressing the underlying reasons behind the crime like mental health issues, drug and/or alcoholism and poverty. He was running with the support of liberal groups like Citizen Action of New York and the Working Families Party. He also had the endorsement of Albany Mayor Kathy Sheehan.

The overwhelming Democratic Party enrollment advantage in Albany County often times makes the primary akin to Election Day. This year, there is not a Republican candidate for DA.

Soares was looking for his fifth, four-year term after upsetting the sitting District Attorney Paul Clyne in 2004.

## Please, have a seat



Lisa Chajon serves up a hot breakfast plate from inside Tool's Family Restaurant in Delmar. Gov. Andrew Cuomo gave area restaurants the OK to open their indoor dining rooms on Wednesday, June 17. Some familiar eateries sported a different look since March. With instructions to halve seating capacity, some restaurants have removed seating to promote safe social distancing. Tool's was ready to open its doors for customers on Day 1. The Delmar eatery has been serving customers from its Delaware Avenue location since 1947.

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■ TOWN GOVERNMENT

# Elm Avenue pools may not open

Town Board weighed opening despite promise of financial pitfall

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**DELMAR** — Faced with the guarantee of a financial downfall, the Bethlehem Town Board reached a near consensus to not go ahead with opening its public pools at Elm Avenue Park this summer.

Members of the board deliberated for more than 40 minutes on Wednesday, June 24, discussing both the merits and disadvantages of opening two of its three pools to town residents. The topic was not up to a vote, but a presentation from the town's park and recreation administrator sparked the conversation. They weighed their options minutes after hearing the town could lose more than \$150,000 if it opened the pools.

Town Supervisor David VanLuven described the

town as in "dire fiscal straits," bombarded by two "cataclysmic challenges" — the worst pandemic since World War I and the worst economic collapse in three generations. The town had suffered a \$1.1 million downfall after the world was gripped by the Great Recession in 2009. VanLuven warned that the town could be facing twice that amount.

"We are in the midst of a terrible pandemic, and I desperately want to open our town pool," VanLuven said. "And, I don't think we should."

Assuming the town was to open the pools in mid-July, town residents would have five weeks to enjoy the cool respite from the summer heat. But, based on the interpretation of health guidelines from both Albany County and

the CDC, the pool grounds that can normally hold more than 1,000 visitors would be reduced to approximately 200. Those visits would also be reduced from all-day stops to a mere few hours.

The pools at Elm Avenue Park have been the focus of many Town Board meetings for nearly two years. Its dive pool has been closed off to visitors since last year after a survey revealed the need for repair. Board members first wrangled over the option to replace the dives with waterslides. Since listening to a public push to maintain the dive option, the town has also had to deal with the change of contractors. VanLuven said the pools cost the town approximately \$150,000 in losses last year, which he attributed to the closed dive

pool.

Jason Gallo, the town's park and recreation director, estimated that the town could generate approximately \$70,000 worth of revenue. That would assume the town would not issue season passes and that all visitors would pay by credit card. Only town residents would be permitted onto the pool grounds. That amount of revenue, however, would not offset the nearly \$170,000 payroll for part-time employees and the \$58,000 in additional expenses to maintain the pool.

Gallo's presentation to the board followed immediately after a financial discussion from the town's comptroller. In that report, Michael Cohen shared how the town's general budget and its various departments are resilient — and vulnerable — to the economic woes

caused by virus-related shutdowns.

"I know it sounds like a cop-out, but I'm really, really torn on this one," said Town Board Member Jim Foster, who agonized over the practical aspects of the discussion against his memories of working at the pools as a teenager. With the town facing a loss, even under what he called the best-case scenario, would be "significant."

"Given all the unknowns, especially with not knowing where COVID is going to go in the coming months... that leads me to be inclined to not open the pool," Foster said.

Other board members acknowledged that the pool could alleviate tension for a community crawling out of three months of quarantine. However, with the pandemic still raging across the country, masks and social distancing would

still have been required on the pool grounds. Masks, however, would be off while in the water. VanLuven described the scenario of a child breaching and expelling a breath in someone else's face after swimming underwater as just one example of how the pools' opening wouldn't be prudent.

"One of the hardest things about being in town government is not being able to do all the things people want us to do for them," said VanLuven. "I figure I lose a vote a day because I have to say no to people, constantly. It's hard, and I hate it."

Boardmember Dan Coffey voiced his opposition to closing the pools.

Gallo previously suggested splash pads as a low-cost solution. Town Board members asked Gallo to investigate the splash pad option further.

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## From page 1 ... Black Lives Matter

the largest march in Bethlehem's history. "It is important for people to have a safe forum in which to express their views. The police department, I think, did a terrific job adapting to the unplanned march to close streets and reroute traffic."

For Bethlehem Police Commander Adam Hornick, this was no easy task. "I had one person in my left ear calling me some very unfriendly names and vulgarities, and a person in my right ear asking for a hug. I knew neither one of them." Hornick said that when police encounter situations like this, they try to open up dialogue with protesters.

"We're not saying reform is not necessary, but we're saying we want to be part of that dialogue to have that reform because every community is different," Hornick said.

This dialogue has begun and started with a group of young residents demanding change. The following week after the march, recent Bethlehem Alumni set up tables at the four corners to showcase their list of demands from the Town Board and School Board. Attendees were given the opportunity to sign these demands and donate to charities. The goal of Xavi Cruz, one of the organizers, was to create a list of tangible demands for the town.

The group's demands from the school board called for several Black authors to be added to curricula and teaching Black history in schools. This is something that Superintendent Jody Monroe addressed in a statement to the Spotlight. "Teachers have flexibility to add literature and text to their courses as it relates to the curriculum. We will be encouraging them to exercise this flexibility so what our students read, interpret and discuss includes the vast contributions of Black authors and other people of color," Monroe said.

Demands placed upon the police department included automatic firing of police for racist behaviors, abolition of no-knock warrants and refusal of Bethlehem PD to participate in riot containment outside of the town.

"Obviously we do not have that much of an issue with police brutality in our little town, but Albany does," Cruz said. Some of these incidents happened as recently as January when eight Albany police officers were suspended after an altercation on First Street.

When asked about assisting Albany PD during riots, Hornick said, "I can understand that some people were upset, but they do not know what our officers did in the city at that point."

Hornick explained Bethlehem's role in Albany was to prevent further damage to the city. "Some of them were involved in simple security of police stations... as well as supporting other officers in getting equipment and preventing looting and violence." He added that during the protests in Albany, Bethlehem officers were also working to prevent violence in Bethlehem based on intelligence they had gathered earlier in the night.

But minor threats in Bethlehem have not ceased. Multiple residents in Slingerlands had Black Lives Matter signs stolen from their front yards, an act resident John Sherman was intimidated by. "They're coming on our property and there is a bit of an intimidation factor," Sherman said.

Kate Sipher also had a sign stolen less than 24 hours after she put it up. "I was really disappointed," Sipher said. "I'm not surprised because there's so much tension."

After the signs were taken, Sherman ordered 20 more in its place and Sipher placed an order of her own to replace her sign.

The tension Sipher addressed has been increasing in more ways than one. After the event at the Four Corners with the list of demands from the town, attendees were given chalk to write messages on the sidewalk and outside of Town Hall. These messages included, "BC loves BLM," "Justice for Breonna Taylor," and the names of several people of color who have been killed by police.

According to Cruz, about 30 minutes later, two women went to the spot with buckets of water and brooms to

## From page 1 ... Back the Blue

Current events have poked the embers. Most notable of these events was that of George Floyd, a Minnesota man who died at the hands of Minneapolis police officers who had arrested and restrained him with a controversial choke hold from which he ultimately died. It's just one example of several incidents involving Black men and women inexplicably dying through police action. It was a difficult day for the police officers at the June 8 rally, said Bethlehem Police Commander Adam Hornick.

"It was not a comfortable environment for any of us," said Hornick. As demonstrators marched down Delaware Avenue, several shouted towards officers. A few words were supportive. Many others were not. "We are trying to balance it and still get the job done."

Keith Wiggand is a local resident who has kept his "ear to the ground" for years. He's long been associated with the town's Republican Party. He recently sat as acting chairperson of the Bethlehem Republican Committee. He said he still talks to people in town, including members of the police department. "Enough is enough," he said. "It's time to support our officers."

Back the Blue rallies have emerged across the country in recent weeks. The demonstrations are intent to show support for law enforcement agencies currently under scrutiny. In addition to demands for police reform, there is a groundswell of support for defunding enforcement agencies. The defunding calls for several changes that includes demilitarizing weaponry and redistributing budgets to support community programs centered on welfare and mental awareness. The timing

clear the messages on the sidewalk. "If that threatens you so much to say that you would want to destroy it, I think that is an important attitude in Bethlehem that needs to stop," Cruz said.

VanLuven said that he was aware that the sidewalks were cleaned; however, he said those who cleaned the sidewalks of the chalk were not town employees. Hornick said the two women "worked to clean" Town Hall after the event and that they "erased some of the markings that were on Town Hall itself that contained derogatory or offensive terms."

"Either way, chalk is ephemeral, it's going away tomorrow," Cruz said following the event. "The fact that you needed to come out with soap, water, and buckets, shows that you needed to make a statement."

Statements continue to be made, with the most recent demonstration outside of the high school. Protesters gathered to advocate for educational change while teachers and administrators were inside, none of whom came outside. There was also a read-in demonstration where students called for more Black history to be taught in the educational system, an event that district administrators attended. Superintendent Monroe said, "Part of our mission is to prepare students to be engaged community members and I'd like to think the district has contributed in some way to the strong voices they present on issues that matter."

Monroe also spoke of several educational reforms BCSD has been trying to make since 2017. "In our classrooms, we are actively working to update the curriculum to make it more reflective of our students' experiences and the world in which we live," Monroe said. These updates include diversifying literature in classrooms, creating discussions about diversity, and providing a greater perspective on historical events.

Monroe said that part of the newly approved budget will also go towards these changes. She said, "As part of the annual budget, the district has and will continue to consult with experts to help with building-level action plans that could help us meet our equity goals." The district has made efforts to improve diversity in hiring, train staff on microaggressions, and improve cultural competency district wide.

The district and Monroe have also recognized the toll

of such suggestions continue to target law enforcement agencies that are already feeling attacked.

Timing is a perceived issue on both ends. A Back the Blue rally scheduled for Goshen, in Orange County, was canceled last week. An opposing demonstration was scheduled for the same day. According to the *Times Herald-Record*, a fervor between rally participants on both sides developed on social media. The Black Lives Matter organizer told the paper that the police rally was a "great idea" but it had the "wrong timing." The organizer said he would rather see resources focused on "results."

Bethlehem Town Supervisor David VanLuven attended the demonstrations. On his Instagram account, he captured the image of one of his town officers taking a knee at the June 8 rally. In an interview with *The Spotlight*, he said he could understand the need for changes in some areas. Mental health reform, in particular, where he said the system has "failed." However, it's not something that falls under the town's capacity. He cited the police department's recent hiring practices as putting the town at an advantage.

"We made really good hiring decisions with our officers," said VanLuven. While diversity training falls short on people who choose not to listen, VanLuven said, you face the issue during the job interview. "You don't put someone in training to not be a racist. You just don't hire a racist."

Wiggand is organizing a Back the Blue rally at Delmar's Four Corners on Saturday, July 4, at noon. He said he is not planning the event as a political rally, but after speaking with people in town, he grew concerned over police morale. "I'll be out there, all by myself if need be," he said.

this has taken on students. "Students are living through a difficult time and we are well aware of that. Children are not immune to the stresses of the pandemic or civil unrest," Monroe said. "Our mission to educate and prepare all students to reach their potential, discover their purpose, and be engaged community members would be impossible without a commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion. We are also aware that we need to listen more, learn more and do more to honor that commitment."

Janelle Bechdol is a local activist focused on diversity and inclusion. She has suggested several ways that a majority white town like Bethlehem can start to change. For parents, Bechdol suggests having a discussion about race with your children. In the workplace, she suggests examining hiring, salary, and promotional procedures for racist red flags.

Bechdol said the first step is to examine oneself and the ways one has benefited from racism. "As a human being, it will be very hard for you to go through that process rigorously and come out unchanged," Bechdol said. She also suggests people educate themselves on the issues of systemic racism around them. Bechdol said, "If you are white, you have been able to benefit from it. And if you are black, you have not."

"Everybody has a race problem," Bechdol stated. In Bethlehem, today we face the question of how we deal with this problem and where we go from here.

VanLuven stated, "My big fear is that we're going to be in the same place a year from now." Hoping that a meaningful dialog can begin, he said, "It is easy to call for change, we all see the need for change, and we need to start drilling into the things that we can actually do."

VanLuven said that currently, Bethlehem is in the early stages of educational reform. "These are deep and complex issues that we have to think about locally," VanLuven said.

This idea is one that VanLuven, Hornick, and Cruz have all expressed. VanLuven has set up meetings with activists to find real solutions to systemic problems. Hornick stated that police want to be a part of dialogue surrounding reform because every community is different. The set of demands that Cruz's team compiled are all centered around community development and dissolution of systemic racism in Bethlehem.



## TOWN GOVERNMENT

### Wright Lane is a town park

**DELMAR** — Bethlehem has a new town park.

The Town Board approved the adoption of the nearly 86-acre park as a public park when it voted on Wednesday, June 24.

The installment of a mountain bike trail had been the topic of controversy since last November. Though the land was under town ownership and open for public use, the building of bridges and the physical cutting of land to etch trails through the wooded area had caused concerns over indemnity and liability.

### Another moratorium on vape shoppes

**BETHLEHEM** — The Town Board continued its moratorium on tobacco and vapor products.

The board passed an additional six-month moratorium that places a hold on the town from processing applications for building permits, certificates of occupancy and use approvals specifically for vape shops and smoke shops.

Though the state has already passed legislation that prevents the sale of flavored vapor products in New York, Bethlehem has continued to look at vapor

products, citing its popularity among high school students — despite laws preventing youth from purchasing them.

The town has moved to regulate the sale of tobacco and vapor products. Businesses will have to obtain the local license which will prohibit the sale of vapor products near a school.

All but Boardmember Jim Foster approved of adopting Local Law No. 2 of 2020 and Local Law No. 3 of 2020 when the board voted on Wednesday, June 24. The lone Republican on the Town Board said he felt the laws were only hurting local businesses who were selling legal products.

### Back to business at Town Hall

**NEW SCOTLAND** — Town Hall is back open for business, you just better have your mask on.

Town Hall reopened for business on Monday, June 15 with added protocols to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

Enterance into Town Hall is limited to one doorway. Visitors must ring a doorbell so prompt someone to usher them into the building. Employees are also required to sign and and out as required by state mandates.

— Michael Hallisey



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One of my favorite quotes, by DeWitt Jones, known for his work as a freelance photojournalist for National Geographic says, "When you celebrate what's right with the world, it gives you the energy to fix what's wrong!"

If I were asked to create a list of 150 items that celebrate what is right with the world, I could fill up 118 spots right off the rip with each one of your names. You are talented, smart, funny, kind and resilient students. You put on an amazing drama production, you made memories in Salem, at your junior prom, and at sporting events, which further bonded you as a class. You had your fall spirit week, pep rally, and your last Friday night lights football game; all places where you spurred on your classmates and showed your RCS spirit. I have seen you cheer for each other on the field, on the courts, on the stage, in the classroom, or in the gym at our outstanding pep rallies. The way you have bolstered each other up and cheered each



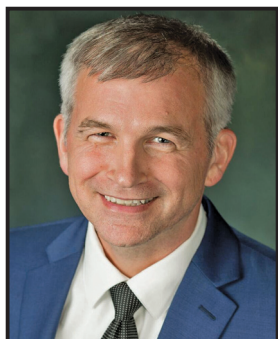
other on inspires me. Nothing warmed my heart more than to see so many of you shave your heads in honor of one of your classmates who lost his hair after having gone through treatments for an illness that he beat; with determination, grace and dignity!!! You are all heroes in my book.

Throughout your life and especially this year, you have already been presented with challenges that have become opportunities for you to rise up and overcome, which I have witnessed you do. That is what is right with the world.

Class of 2020 your resilience, your strength, and your smiles inspire me and give me optimism that brighter days are coming because you are our future. I know that you are going to go out and make a difference in the world because you are the RCS Class of 2020. You represent the class that overcomes, the class that gives us all hope and a reason to celebrate what is right with the world, so we can together find the energy to fix what is wrong! Congratulations Class of 2020. I will miss you all!

**Dr. Lisa Patierne**  
Principal

### SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE:

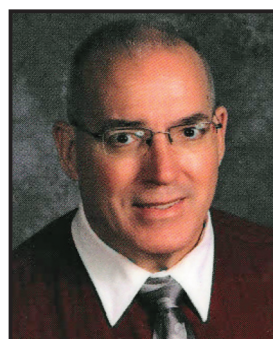


It wasn't that long ago that our seniors were entering RCS High School for the first time. As freshmen, they faced many unknowns. New building, new teachers, and new and more challenging courses awaited them. They persevered in that transition and they will now persevere again as they enter this wide world in front of them. Although this final year was nothing like we expected, the successes and resiliency of the class of 2020 will always be remembered. I offer our graduates the same advice that I always give to incoming freshmen: everything you learned before today gave you the tools, now you get to decide what you are going to build with them.

As our graduates begin the next chapter in their lives, I urge them to take some time to reflect and to thank those who have been instrumental in achieving this milestone. Family, friends, a third grade teacher, a coach, a bus driver, anyone along this journey that may have offered just the right encouragement to help them through. I want to thank our students for spending these fleeting 13 years with us and for leaving us with memories of the character and kindness they demonstrated along the way. The board of education, leaders, teachers, and support staff of the RCS School District are proud of the accomplishments of the class of 2020 and, on behalf of this grateful community, I wish our graduates a well-deserved congratulations.

**Brian Bailey, Ed.D.**  
Superintendent

### ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:



Congratulations to the Class of 2020! This is only the beginning. Your next adventure awaits and we are excited to see where it leads you. It has not been a typical year, but your perseverance and grit has seen you through. The road ahead will have its share of obstacles and chasing your dreams will require hard work, passion and many sacrifices. However, you have the ambition and strength to overcome anything that comes your way. It was a privilege serving you as your assistant principal this past year. I'd like to share one additional piece of advice from actress, producer, and entrepreneur Jennifer Garner: "Wear sunscreen – nothing looks better on you in your 50s than sunscreen in your 20s!"

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**Herbert Tedford**  
Assistant Principal

# Our warmest congratulations to the graduating class of 2020!

Although graduation is looking different this year the achievement is still the same.

*Best wishes for your next adventure.*





# CLASS OF 2020

## RAVENA-COEYMANS-SELKIRK HIGH SCHOOL



Marcella Alberts



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Tammy Alberts



Ethan Aldrich



Dalton Augar



John Dylan Bagley



Daniel Barry



Charles Bianchino



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Chandon Bouyea



Emily Brink



Sydney Brooks



Martin Brozowski



Dale Bruckman



Hannah Call



Ian Thayer Cardinale



Madison Cardone



Jeremy Carrk



Joshua Cary



Juan Castillo, Jr.



David Close



Mitchell Craft



Aidan Cronin



Trevor Decowski



Ryan DeGraw



Cheyenne Delisle



Mark Demitraszek, II



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Craig Foy, Jr.



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William Galough



Morgan Glassbrenner



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Tyler Goca



Tyler Granger



Kaden Gransbury



Edward Greenwood



Jillian Hagen



Dylan Hansford



Aniya Holder



Abygayle Howe



Jaden Johnson



Jaida Johnson



**CONGRATULATIONS MADISON!**  
We are so proud of you.  
Good luck in College.

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**CONGRATS, ERIN!**  
We're so proud of your choice to pursue a career as a teacher!  
We look forward to seeing what your future holds!  
Love, Mom, Dad, Johnny and Gus

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**ZOIE**  
Congratulations to my wonderful daughter.  
Know matter what lies ahead for you I know you will do great.  
I love you to the moon and back.  
Love, Mom

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**OUR HEARTFELT THANKS TO ALL OUR TEACHERS & STAFF OF RCS. WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU!!**  
From the R.C.S.  
**CLASS OF 2020!**

**BEHIND YOU ALL YOUR MEMORIES, BEFORE YOU ALL YOUR DREAMS, AROUND YOU ALL WHO LOVE YOU, WITHIN YOU ALL YOU NEED.**  
*Shine bright my friends!*

**GOOD LOOKS, BRAINS, HEART AND NOW A DIPLOMA, TOO? YOU'VE REALLY GOT IT ALL! CONGRATS!**  
*Love, Mom & Dad, Nanna & Pop*



# CLASS OF 2020

## RAVENA-COEYMANS-SELKIRK HIGH SCHOOL



Angelica Jones



Jaleina Jones



Olivia Jones



Spencer Kane



Cameron Kapusta



Kolton Keeler



Jennifer Keller



Bruce Kelley



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Julia Kowalski



Charles Krein



Megan Kuchta



Christopher LaDuke



Sadie Lambert



Taylor Lang



Eric LaQuire



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Evan Lebrecht



Zoie Libertucci



William Linger



Daniel Locci



Erin Manning



Sophia Margiasso



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Vaughn McCallop



Megan McHugh



Ryan McKie



Andrew McMullen



Mary McMullen



Kaylin Mercer



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Brielle Mitchell



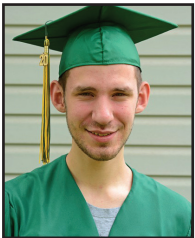
Hailey Mitchell



Katrina Morrow



Samuel Nava



Dominic Notaro



Matthew O'Connor



Christopher Ortiz



Augustine Osei



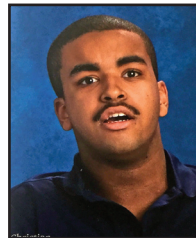
Kaley Pagnotta



Zebadiah Pecora



Cory Phillips



Christian Pounds



Stephen Putnam



**CONGRATULATES OUR VOLUNTEERS!**

**RCS Graduates Class of 2020**  
**Mary McMullen - STARS Board Member**  
**Jillian Hagen, Kaylin Mercer,**  
**Dylan Hansford, Sadie Lambert,**  
**Rebecca Sagendorph, Alexis Schrom**

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**Congratulations DANIEL BARRY & the rest of the graduating CLASS of 2020**



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Shane Racey



Ben Radez



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Nikolas James Rapp



Nelson Ruoff



Rebecca Sagendorph



Alexis Schrom



Sanora Schwarz



Ashlyn Seltzer



Joshua Shear



Mark Sitts, III



Brianna Smith



Charlotte Snyder



Marshall St. Pierre



Rose Stalker



Nashaviyah Steward



Emily Sulik



Anthony Teolis



Lucy Trenchard



Logan Tutay



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■ MILESTONES

# Bethlehem police honors their heroes

**DELMAR** — The Bethlehem Police Department recently dedicated members of its agency for previous acts of valor.

The department recognized 15 of its officers for awards that recognize meritorious service, gallantry and life saving achievements. The awards also include recognition under the Chief's Achievement Award.

## Life Savers

Officers David Caputo and Timothy Travis each earned a Life Saving Award for a call to which they responded last March. They were first to arrive on the scene when they observed an unconscious 37-year-old woman. When they found she was not breathing, they administered CPR and continued to work with emergency responders once they had arrived. They were credited with helping the patient regain consciousness.

Officers Michael Berben, Matthew Dring, and Telecommunicator Melissa Harnett were on-duty last April when they received the call of a 61-year-old woman under cardiac arrest.

Harnett provided medical instructions over the telephone as Berben and Dring headed towards the scene. Once they

arrived, officers and emergency responders provided aid.

Just a few weeks later, Dring was the first responder on the scene of a fully involved structure fire on Meadowbrook Drive.

Dring rushed into the eight-unit building to awake residents and guide them safely outside the building. All but one resident survived the fire.

Berben and Officer Kristen Spinnato each earned a Meritorious Service Award for their actions for the same fire.

## More awards

Traffic Safety Investigator Craig Sleurs, Officer Rico Firoe, Master Sgt. James Rexford, Officer Amanda Mueller, Officer Mark Gorman, Officer Roy Swann, Officer Chad Ferraro and Spinnato each earned the Gallantry Award.

Sleurs, Detective Gerald Young and Commander Adam Hornick each earned the Chief's Achievement Award.

Sleurs, a lifelong member of the Slingerlands Fire Department, was recognized in a separate ceremony. He was named the Blanchard Post Officer of the Year Award.

— Michael Hallisey

■ OBITUARY

## Donald F. Schulz

**DELMAR** — Donald Frederick Schulz, 83, of Delmar passed away on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at home with his family by his side.

Don was born in Queens, NY on November 4, 1936, the son of the late Frederick and Margaret (Hocke) Schulz. When Don was in his early teens, they moved to the family dairy farm in Otego, NY. Don joined the US Navy as an officer and served in Taiwan. He later served as commanding officer of the Naval Reserve Training Center in Scotia, NY. Don graduated from Hartwick College in 1958 and married MaryLou Mazurak on December 17, 1960.



DONALD F. SCHULZ

In his professional career, Don worked at Bendix Aviation as a chemist in Sidney, NY and held a forty five year career at Nationwide Mutual Insurance (agent and district manager) retiring in 2005. He held offices, including commodore at the Albany Yacht Club and Hudson Mohawk Council and secretary at the Poughkeepsie Yacht Club. Don enjoyed flying, sailing/ yachting and taking trips with family.

Don leaves behind his loving wife of 59 years, MaryLou; daughter Donna & husband Alan Dobbins, and their three sons Zachary, Samuel, and Alexander; son Douglas Schulz and his girlfriend Donna Burkins-Hanlon; and son Ken

& wife Aubrey Schulz and their two children Kai and Rayna.

Relatives and friends are invited to call on Friday, July 3 from 4 to 6 pm at Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. Private services are being held at Gerald B. H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery, Schuylerville at the convenience of the family. Those who wish may send a remembrance in Don's name to the Bethlehem Area YMCA, 900 Delaware Ave., Delmar, NY 12054 or Community Hospice, 310 So. Manning Blvd., Albany, NY 12208.

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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

126 WEST 32ND STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/25/20. 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 East 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248619

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

126-18 89 AVE. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/24/20. 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 Ioannis Likidis, 126-10 89th Avenue, Richmond Hill, NY 11418. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248544

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

138 BOWERY MGMT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/01/20. 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, 521 West 48th Street, Suite 1A, New York, NY 10036. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246922

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

1402 ST MARKS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/16/20. 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, 1402 St. Marks Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11233. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247953

**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**

224 BAY 24 REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/09/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated

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ed as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 224 Bay 34th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11214. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247473

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

2259 85TH STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/09/20. 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, 2259 85th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11214. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248584

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

2335 EAST 2ND STREET, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/24/20. 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, 3925 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11229. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248545

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

304 STUYVESANT FUNDING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/24/20. 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 Hirshmark Capital LLC, 1140 Broadway, Suite 304, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248542

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

315-317 S 5TH FUNDING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/05/20. 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 Hirshmark Capital LLC, 1140 Broadway, Suite 304, New York, NY 10010. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248488

**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

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LLC, 10 E. 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246492

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345 EAST 94TH STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/25/20. 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 East 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248620

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

350 NEW KARNER REALTY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/27/20. 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, c/o Eric Kahn, Friendly Honda, 1143 Dutchess Turnpike, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247173

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

41-01 REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/06/20. 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, 35-01 Ditmars Boulevard, Astoria, NY 11105. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247857

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

50 HIMROD STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/11/20. 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, 5 Tudor City Place, Lobby 11, New York, NY 10017-6853. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247866

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

531 DEKALB LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/11/20. Latest date to dissolve: 06/30/2120. 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 Abdulghani Ali, 994 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248294

**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

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576 MORRIS PARK AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/16/20. 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, 138-44 Queens Boulevard, 2nd Floor, Briarwood, NY 11435. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247952

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE, TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY, NY.**

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing as part of its regularly scheduled Board Meeting on Tuesday, 07/07/2020 at 6:00 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, NY regarding a Special Use Permit / Site Plan Amendment Application for Construction of 6-8 Bay Hanger Building & associated asphalt taxi lane & related upgrades to security system, fencing, access road, stormwater management facility, submitted by South Albany Airport, as shown on drawing entitled "South Albany Airport Hangar and Taxi Lane Development", Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, State of New York", dated August, 2019, prepared by Passero Associates, 1A Pine West Plaza, Washington Ave. Extension, Albany, NY 12205. Documentation related to the application can be obtained by contacting llombardo@townofbethlehem.org. Notice of Public Hearing will be mailed to property owners within 200' of the subject property. Said notice will also be published in the 07/01/2020 issue of the Spotlight Newspaper. Written comments must be submitted to the Planning Board by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting, either by US mail to the Planning Office, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, NY 12054 or via email at planningboard@townofbethlehem.org, in order to be read aloud during the public comment period at the start of the meeting and recorded in the minutes. The meeting will not be held in person due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. The meeting will be conducted by means of a video conference / webinar. To register to participate in the Public Hearing / Zoom Meeting Webinar: Click on the link within the 07/07/2020 agenda packet and it will bring you to a registration form. Complete the registration form in its entirety and click on Register. A registration confirmation and a link to the webinar will be sent to the email you provide. On the day of the meeting, 15-30 minutes prior to the start time of the meeting, click on the link to join the meeting. Further instructions regarding meeting registration

can be found in a guide featured on the Town's Website / Meeting Portal. Individuals who do not wish to participate in the Zoom meeting may view and listen to the live meeting or watch the video recording at a later date by visiting the Town's Website / Meeting Portal at <http://bethlehemtownny.iqm2.com/Citizens/Default.aspx> D-247956

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

60 HIMROD STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/11/20. 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, 5 Tudor City Place, Lobby 11, New York, NY 10017-6853. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247867

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

7101 SOUTH ISLAND LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/20/20. Latest date to dissolve: 05/31/2119. 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, c/o Mariam Sikander, 23 Kirby Lane, Jericho, NY 11753. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247174

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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, 3099 George Urban Boulevard, Depew, NY 14043. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246746

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ALLEGIANCE DETAIL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/08/20. 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, c/o Chad Adkins, 261B Old Niskayuna Road, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247569

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ALLERTON HOUSE LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 02/06/20. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 02/03/20. 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, 125 E. 92nd Street, New York, NY 10128. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247916

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AMZ APPAREL TRADER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/11/20. 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, c/o Ralph Dweck, 29 West 36th Street, Suite 1100, New York, NY 10038. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247663

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BARBARY CAPITAL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/24/20. 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, 20 West 20th Street, Suite 1102, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248597

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BEST TOWER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/22/20. 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, 42-95 Hampton Street, Elmhurst, NY 11373. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248411

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BLACK BEERDED 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**

BLJ INTERNATIONAL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/22/20. 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, 200 Garden City Plaza, Suite 103, Garden City, NY 11530. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248420

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BLUE CANARY SOLUTIONS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/17/20. 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, 13 East 30th Street, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248103

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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

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BROAD CITY CAPITAL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/24/20. 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 Tuch & Cohen LLP, 1025 Old Country Road, Suite 411, Westbury, NY 11590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247868

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C&C NAIL SALON LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/22/20. 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, 482 East Meadow Avenue, East Meadow, NY 11554. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248376

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CHAPIN VR LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/17/20. 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, 170 East 88th Street, Apartment 3R, Astoria, NY 11106. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248146

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CHIP SUNNYSIDE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/15/20. Latest date to dissolve: 06/15/2120. 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, 19-06 42nd Street, Astoria, NY 11105. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247887

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CITY ORTHO SUPPLIES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/24/20. 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,

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2190 Oscar Court, Cortlandt Manor, NY 10567. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248600

**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**

COAST TO COAST TRANSFERS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/12/20. 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 Tuch & Cohen LLP, 1025 Old Country Road, Suite 411, Westbury, NY 11590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247868

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

COOPER CLEAN LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/10/20. 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, 424 West Broadway, Apartment 3, New York, NY 10012. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247599

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

DIZ REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/04/20. 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, ATTN: Niko Dizdar, 32-60 34th Street, Apartment 3R, Astoria, NY 11106. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247179

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

EASY VICTOR LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 05/22/20. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 05/24/2019. 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, 5 King Street, New York, NY 10012. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247463

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ELANIM LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/21/19. 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 Sam Nimroody,



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340 East 64th Street, #27A, New York, NY 10065. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247917

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

EMERSON 85th LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/05/20. 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 Alan Goldman, 1225 Franklin Avenue, Suite 515, Garden City, NY 11530. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247284

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ERIPLO 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**

FERRIELLO RE 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, 300 Mercer Street, Apartment 19J, New York, NY 10003. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247854

**TOWN OF BETHLEHEM Albany County - New York ASSESSORIS OFFICE LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF FINAL ASSESSMENT ROLL**

Pursuant to Section 505 and 1526 of the Real Property Tax Law Notice is hereby given that the Assessor of the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, has completed the final assessment roll for the current year and that a copy is available at the office of the Assessor at 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY where it may be seen and examined by any interested person beginning on July 1st. It is also on the Town website [www.townof-bethlehem.org](http://www.townof-bethlehem.org) for 24/7 viewing. Laurie Lambertsen Sole Assessor, Town of Bethlehem D-247918

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

FOOTPRINT HOMES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/09/20. 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, 643 Decatur Street, Brooklyn, NY 11233. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247471

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

GR GOURMET MARKET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/03/20. 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, 366 N. Broadway, Suite PH-5, Jericho, NY 11753. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247100

**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**

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**

JUSTIN NEAL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/04/20. 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, 200 Lexington Avenue, Suite 1210, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247642

**NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION**

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

KBS MANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/12/20. Office: Albany 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, c/o Tuch & Cohen LLP, 1025 Old Country Road, Suite 411, Westbury, NY 11590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247869

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

LEA DRINKS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/18/20. 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, 646 Argyle Road, E2, Brooklyn, NY 11230. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248197

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

LEA EATS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/18/20. 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, 646 Argyle Road, E2, Brooklyn, NY 11230. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248198

**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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

MarBi 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 Margaret Nies, 112 Peninsula Drive, Port Jefferson, NY 11777. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247314

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

MARO ESTATE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/10/20. 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, 141-09 28th Avenue, Apartment #5A, Flushing, NY 11354. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247600

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

MATTERHORN SYNDICATE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/03/20. 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 Herzog & Sheffield, P.C., 59 John Street, Suite 9B, New York, NY 10038. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247101

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MIGRATION LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/04/20. 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, 56 Spring Street, Apartment #3, New York, NY 10012. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247182

**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**

NEW SCOTLAND HOSPITALITY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/04/20. 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, 289 New Scotland Avenue, Albany, NY 12208. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247183

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

NEWCO CAPITAL GROUP II 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-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

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LLC, 90 Broad Street, Suite 903, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246295

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

O'MALLEY ONLINE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/12/20. 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, 30-24 37th Street, Queens, NY 11103. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247806

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ONE ADVISORY SERVICES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/12/20. 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, 40 N 4th Street, Apartment 3G, Brooklyn, NY 11249. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247856

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

PANIFEX PRESS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/03/20. 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 Herzog & Sheffield, P.C., 59 John Street, Suite 9B, New York, NY 10038. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247102

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

PETER MARIA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/24/20. 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 Peter Campisi, 18-31 Decatur Street, Ridgewood, NY 11385. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248543

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

PST WORLDWIDE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/01/20. 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, 205 East 78th Street, Apartment 2J, New York, NY 10075. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246917

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

R. PRODUCTIONS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/29/20. 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, 521 S. Ocean Avenue, Freeport, NY 11520. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247235

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RA PROJECTS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/22/20. 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, 210 Avenue of the Americas, #5A, New York, NY 10014. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248377

**TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION # 2020-25 Parkland Set Aside Fund for the Purchase of 68.8 acres of Land from 165 Salisbury Road, LLC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem in the County of Albany, State of New York has on the June 24, 2020 duly adopted, subject to permissive referendum, a resolution as follows:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem has determined that it is in the public interest of the Town to purchase 68.8 acres of forested land on Salisbury Road (a portion of tax parcel ID 75.00-1-2) adjacent to the Normans Kill to create a new Town park; and

WHEREAS, the funds requested are not to exceed \$146,900.00 (\$134,000.00 for land purchase price, \$1,000.00 for purchase of option for Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy, and \$11,900.00 for land survey cost); and

WHEREAS, in recognition of these needs, funds for such purposes are in the Parkland Set Aside Fund; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is in the public interest to complete the project as described above; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the expenditure of the Parkland Set Aside moneys to fund this project up to a maximum amount of \$146,900.00; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Comptroller is authorized to expend from the Parkland Set Aside Fund the funds necessary up to \$146,900.00 in said fund; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves a budget modification for the project as described above, with an increase to the Parks and Recreation Capital Expenditure line item (415-7120-551-35-11), and a corresponding increase to Planning Board Fee revenue (415-0000-327-21-15), in the amount of \$146,900.00. This resolution shall be subject to a permissive referendum, as permitted by law.

On a motion by Councilwoman Cunningham, seconded by Councilman Foster, and by a vote of 5 for, 0 against, 0 abstained,

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and 0 absent, this RESOLUTION was adopted on June 24, 2020. D-248581

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

RIGHT ON RED LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/12/20. 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 William Sohne, 71 Coffey Street, Brooklyn, NY 11231. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248592

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ROCKBAR40, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 06/18/20. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Connecticut on 06/05/20. 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, 333 Stanwich Road, Greenwich, CT 06830. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248484

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ROLLING RIDGE PARTNERS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/01/20. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2070. 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 Kevin J. Keane, 500 Mamaroneck Avenue, Harrison, NY 10528. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246918

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

SANGRIA FUNDING 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, 20 West 20th Street, Suite 1102, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246694

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

SKYROCKET10, 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 Cedric Osborne, 876 Park Avenue, Apartment 7N, New York, NY 10075. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246388

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

SNS HOLDING VENTURES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/09/20. 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 Bernfeld, DeMatteo & Bernfeld, LLP,

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54 N. Broadway, 3rd Floor, Tarrytown, NY 10591. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247472

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

SPELLANO PIZZA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/18/20. 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, 1999 McDonald Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11223. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248582

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

TAILWIND AVIATION LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/18/20. 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, c/o Rosenblatt & McGarrity, LLP, 200 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains, NY 10601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247805

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

TATTOOSHARK LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/22/20. 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, 5 Palisades Drive, Suite 315, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248378

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

TDSM MANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/25/20. 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, 14-63 Burton Street, White-stone, NY 11357. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-248615

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

Team CHRCH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/28/20. 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, 294 Garretson Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10305. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-246414

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

THE BEREND REALTY GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/03/20. 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, 530 East 72nd Street, Unit 1B, New York, NY 10021. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-247103





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# An open letter to Gov. Cuomo

Dear Gov. Cuomo:

Gov. Cuomo, we call upon you today to stick to the facts. We call upon you to stop fanning the flames of division. We call upon you to stop exploiting anti-police hysteria and unwarranted political rhetoric to ram through legislation that is ill conceived, hastily crafted, and anti-police. We call upon you to involve all stakeholders in this process, and we call upon you to do what's right.

The noble police officers of this state are suffering from your actions and your rhetoric, and ultimately all New Yorkers will suffer when, by your actions, our police agencies have been rendered unable to effectively pursue the guilty and protect the innocent.

For more than 40 years, anti-police activists have pushed for the repeal of Civil Rights Law 50-a which protects the police and other emergency responders from undue harassment, and safeguards the peoples' criminal cases from sabotage by unscrupulous defense attorneys. Each year, when repeal has been considered in the light of day, reason and logic have prevailed and the Legislature has rejected repeal. Now we find ourselves in a time when reason and logic are seemingly lost. As a result, you appear ready to "seize the moment" and stampede

into law repeal of 50-a and a whole package of other anti-police legislation, without an opportunity for meaningful input and dialogue from all of the stakeholders. Not even the rank and file members of the Legislature have been afforded the opportunity to give these bills due consideration as they have been rushed through to a vote. A democratic legislative process requires transparency, due deliberation and leadership that can withstand the inflamed passions of the moment.

Gov. Cuomo, your rhetoric and your refusal to speak up for the selfless police officers who, every day, put their lives at risk to defend those who are otherwise defenseless, is contributing to the irrational calls by a very vocal few to "Defund the Police." This ideology is dangerous and, if accepted and acted upon, only serves to put our communities, our families, our neighbors and our public servants at greater risk.

Make no mistake; the potential for very dangerous and unsettling days ahead is real. In recent days there have been more than 80 burglaries of firearms dealers, with more than a thousand firearms stolen. Explosives are finding their way into the hands of anarchists. The violent agitators who have been hijacking

peaceful demonstrations are being empowered by demagogues who refuse to acknowledge that their criminal acts are wrong. Their violent activities will not soon subside. If police departments are defunded, who will protect the majority of our citizens from the marauding few? This situation screams for leadership. We implore you to call for reason in this time of mindless rage. Your silence on this issue is contributing to the dismantling of society's bulwark against anarchy.

Gov., before rushing to sign into law poorly vetted legislation that will put our police officers in grave danger, we implore you to consider the consequences of doing so. The overwhelming majority of police officers, firefighters, correctional workers, EMS providers and other public safety first responders are good and faithful servants. They do not condone the wrongdoing of any rogue cop. They serve *all* of the people of New York, without regard to race. They do so with concern and compassion for those they serve, even those who do not appreciate it, and do so despite the obvious risk to their own safety. Law enforcement officers across the country have been engaged for the past two weeks in protecting the peaceful protestors who have been protesting against

them, in the course of which three police officers have been killed and 800 have been wounded. What other profession would expose themselves to such risks, and for such little gratitude? Gov., these good men and women deserve your active support, not harmful rhetoric nor punitive legislation.

Each year, a ceremony is held at the Police Memorial Wall in Albany where the names of New York's 1,622 hero police officers killed in the line of duty are inscribed. There is a long tradition, spanning several decades, of every sitting Gov. attending this annual, somber event; but you never have. Each year your own criminal justice agency coordinates the selection of the winner of the Gov.'s Police Officer of the Year Award, recognizing an officer's sacrifices above and beyond the call of duty. Here again, there is a long tradition of the Gov. attending every such annual ceremony to pay respect to the honoree, but you have chosen not to follow that tradition. Gov. Cuomo, your absence from these events is palpable and strongly felt by the law enforcement community each time they gather. There is a broad sense among law enforcement that you simply do not support police officers in this state. That lack of support is made evident once again by your

failure to insist that law enforcement have a seat at the table when momentous changes in policing are being considered. This is the time we should be working together. Law enforcement officers could provide important insight that would insure that any desired changes in the system would actually be workable. We have seen too many examples in the last few years of criminal justice legislation being pushed through in the dark of night without the opportunity for scrutiny or input from law enforcement, resulting in disastrous, unworkable laws.

The time has come to hear each other, to support each other, and to work collaboratively to bring clear, transparent and fact-based information, ideas, and reforms forward. Let us work together to effect the positive change that we all wish to see, and let's do so in a way that accomplishes our goals without endangering the police officers who already risk so much, or the communities that they serve.

Gov. Cuomo, we need more leadership and less rhetoric.

Respectfully,  
Sheriff Jeffrey Murphy,  
President New York State  
Sheriffs' Association  
Chief Patrick D. Phelan,  
President New York State  
Association of Chiefs of Police

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■ LETTERS to the EDITOR

# Philip Schuyler should remain at City Hall

So much of our lives are shaped around the successes and failures of our ancestors. Names like George Washington and Samuel Adams have withstood the test of time, but today, these figures are under assault as officials across the nation are attempting to systematically erase and rewrite our shared history. Mobs in the street, along with reactionary leaders at the state and local level, are on a mission to destroy the statues and monuments that commemorate renowned figures from our past.

For centuries, radicals have destroyed historic and cultural artifacts that don't align with their narrow, extremist point of view.

During WWII, the Nazis looted and destroyed or carted away thousands of priceless works of art. More recently the radical Taliban government in Afghanistan destroyed the world last standing Buddhas in Bamyan because the symbol offended their point of view. ISIS militants in Iraq and Syria took to social media to celebrate their destruction of relics that they deemed to be politically incorrect.

More and more, we've seen the same type of reactionary and politically driven cultural violence here in the U.S. Looting mobs and self-righteous, cowering politicians are desperate to uphold their "woke" status and are

hell-bent on maintaining political correctness at any cost. Crowds in Oregon defaced and destroyed a statue of George Washington, the father of our Country. In Oakland, an unthinking mob destroyed a statue of Ulysses S. Grant who led both the military effort to topple slavery and the political effort to provide citizenship and civil rights to African Americans.

Other efforts have been less violent in their execution, but no less violent in their intent and result. Right here in Albany, Mayor Kathy Sheehan issued an Executive Order directing city workers to remove the statue of Maj. Gen. Philip Schuyler from its current

location at the front of City Hall.

Like so many from his time, Philip Schuyler owned slaves in the 18<sup>th</sup> century. Despite this mark on his record, he remains one of the greatest New Yorkers in history. Born and raised in Albany, Schuyler fought in the French and Indian War and served in the Revolutionary War. After fighting for our nation's freedom, he continued to serve the people of our state. He dedicated himself as an assemblyman, state senator and U.S. senator for New York. One of his daughters, Elizabeth married Alexander Hamilton, one of our nation's founding fathers. Schuyler's

accomplishments are unquestionable, making it all the more concerning that Mayor Sheehan wants to remove the statue commemorating his life's achievements. In an effort to appease their political base, elected officials are ignoring historical context and choosing to elevate one character flaw so that it surmounts and negates all the other good that the historical figure achieved.

If we begin scrutinizing every aspect of our past and erasing all memory of those deemed unfit to remember, we won't have a history to look back on. Benjamin Franklin owned slaves, does that mean Philadelphia should destroy his statues and forget he existed? Should

we rename Washington Park or Washington Avenue in Albany? Under this logic, it would seem his face should be removed from our currency and every dollar bill in circulation be destroyed. This is the path we appear to be going down.

We are all fortunate to live in the greatest nation in the world, and we can't remove the people and events that got us here.

Philip Schuyler's achievements are unmatched by any New Yorker, past or present, and he should remain at City Hall.

*Minority Leader of the Albany County Legislature  
Frank Mauriello, District 27, and Legislator Jeff Perlee, District 31.*

## Mall businesses need to open

To whom it may concern:  
My name is Brandon Gutierrez, and I am the owner and operator of A Sneaker City; a small business located in Crossgates Mall.

I would like to express my great concern over not being able to open as part of the Phase 2 plan outlined by Gov. Cuomo.

Over the past 11-plus weeks our businesses have done everything that was asked of us by the government. We stayed home as directed for the safety of ourselves and everyone around us, which we understand is of the utmost importance. We are willing to make any necessary accommodations to ensure the safety of our staff and clientele.

Honestly, we can't stay closed any longer. Rents and insurance payments are due. Funding, if received — personally I did not — was not geared towards helping anyone long term. I'd like to understand why Walmart and Lowes can remain open and will probably see double, maybe triple digit increases in

profits while small businesses are closing every day because of the loss of revenue.

I strongly recommend that Gov. Cuomo allow malls to reopen as part of Phase 2. There are plenty of examples of larger crowds and bigger stores that have been opened. We need to reopen so as to regain some sort of normalcy and for the survival of our businesses.

Thank you for your consideration on the very important matter.

*Sincerely,  
Brandon Gutierrez  
Owner/Operator  
A Sneaker City*

*Editors note: This letter was written when malls were still set to open in Phase IV but Gov. Andrew Cuomo has since delayed their opening indefinitely.*



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## EDUCATION

# BC counting heads

District wants to assess transportation needs for upcoming school year

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**

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**DELMAR** — Covered faces and one child to a seat could be the scene on every yellow bus if and when schools reopen next academic year.

Bethlehem Central Superintendent Jody Monroe reached out to district residents in an emailed statement last week to share what kind of limited options the district is facing based on current health guidelines. The district is also asking parents to complete a brief survey to assess their family's transportation needs.

"If a return to on-site instruction takes place in the fall, the procedures [enclosed] reflect our efforts to maintain appropriate safety precautions to reduce the risk of COVID-19 infection," Monroe said.

The New York state Department of Health has halved bus capacities, but that alone is not the only factor in deciding who and how many children are assigned a route. The larger school buses boast a normal seating capacity of 66, with three children in each of a total of 22 bench seats. The confines of a school bus does not allow six feet for social distancing, so face coverings would be required.

"Siblings would be assigned to sit two to a seat, and if possible, one student per seat in the remaining seats," said Monroe. The superintendent went on to describe bus rides with children seated in the same seat every day, and siblings required to sit in the same bench seat two at a time. Special arrangements such as to daycare or to alternating households "would not be possible."

The school district is already seeing a logistical problem with the combination of an underutilized bus fleet and increased car traffic to its seven schools, including five elementary schools. Hamagrael and Slingerlands elementary schools are located off side streets nestled within residential neighborhoods. Some of its schools, however, are already sensitive to traffic congestion on higher impact roadways.

Elsmere Elementary, located in the center of Delmar proper, faces a section of Delaware Avenue local officials have already eyed for restructuring of its traffic flow. However, the school has another access point by means of Groesbeck Place at the intersection of Delaware and Elsmere avenues.

Eagle Elementary is located on Van Dyke Road. The two-lane road has a reduced speed limit to deter motorists from using it as a thoroughfare to the Delmar Bypass. Nonetheless, it would compete with traffic from the district's

high school that is just across the street.

Glenmont Elementary, off of Route 9W, stands within a mile of the town's busiest intersection where the state route crosses Feura Bush and Glenmont roads. That intersection was labeled a concern in the town's previous comprehensive plan in 2000. In addition to the area surrounded by several strip malls, Route 9W is utilized by Glenmont, South Bethlehem and Coeymans residents that drive to and from Albany. A traffic circle is planned to replace the intersection. But, present-day traffic is already congested during morning and evening rush hours, compacted by neighboring Price Chopper, Walmart and Lowe's stores.

Within Monroe's statement is a link to a brief survey the district is asking parents to complete. With questions such as "would this child ride the school bus," and "is your child able to wear a face mask," the district is tallying numbers to determine transportation needs. Despite the answers, which include the parent's and child's name, the statement said they do not commit the families' transportation needs for September.

The survey is similar, though less detailed, to one the district released results for last week. The outreach is part of an on-going process the district has been tasked with by the state Department of Education. Schools are required to provide the state with their respective reopening plan for the next academic year by July.

"Please note that no decision regarding a return to school in the fall has been made by the district," said Monroe. "That decision will be made with the guidance of state and local health officials."

Though new cases of coronavirus have trended downward locally, prompting the governor to reopen industries through his multi-phase plan, numbers across the country have presented a mixed bag of results. While New York was a viral hotspot in April its present-day numbers now pale when compared to those reported from Texas, Florida and Arizona.

According to John Hopkins University and Medicine, New York reported 604 new cases of coronavirus on Monday, June 22. That's the state's lowest figure since a peak of 10,824 was reported in early April. Conversely, Texas cases are growing rapidly from 1,545 new cases on June 1 to 4,450 on June 22. The climb is also occurring in warm climates debunking earlier theories that suggested the virus would die off from the heat and sun of summer.

The U.S. has 2.4 million — 25 percent — of the 9.5 million global cases of coronavirus as of Monday, June 22.

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**CULTURE**

# No pass for you

As the retail world reopens in New York, indoor malls stay closed

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**  
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**GUILDERLAND** — Crossgates Mall has been ready to open its doors, but the governor's office is still not ready to see that happen.

Pyramid Management Group devised a comprehensive plan in May for all of its shopping malls to follow once virus-related shutdowns were lifted. The plan called for safety and sanitation protocols that would allow shoppers to return while maintaining the effort to stop the virus' spread.

Crossgates Mall shows it was ready for a new normal with signage directing foot traffic in and out of the mall, but indoor malls have yet to open in New York.

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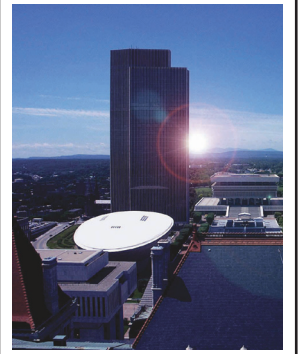
"We were just starting to hit on all cylinders when the virus hit, so now we are just getting back to work and hoping the coast is clear for us to go out on tour. We want to get with our fans as soon as possible."

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The Wheel, arguably the area's favorite local Grateful Dead tribute band, takes the stage at the Jericho Drive-In Theatre on Tuesday, July 21, at 8 p.m.

The special concert is paired with a bonus movie showing at 9:30 p.m.

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This is the second performance announced in The Hall and WEXT's Drive-in Concert Series. The first is a performance by indie rockers,



Jocelyn and Chris. That performance kicks off the series on Thursday, July 9, at 8 p.m. at the Jericho Drive-in.

After the concert, patrons are invited to stay and enjoy a screening of the 2019 film, "Yesterday."

Tickets are available to both performances. For more information, visit [troymusicall.org](http://troymusicall.org).

## Proctors, WTRY present five Wednesdays of music

Proctors and 98.3 WTRY will present a slate of musical acts paired with classic movies this summer in a Concert Cinema Drive-In Series at Jericho Drive-In in Glenmont.

The series features artists performing oldies,

Motown, classic rock and even Disney music over five consecutive Wednesdays beginning July 8. Each artist is paired with a similarly-themed classic film that is shown after the live concert performance, except for a Pink Floyd tribute act which performs "The Dark Side of the Moon" as the soundtrack during a showing of the 1939 film classic "The Wizard of Oz."

The series starts with a performance from The Oldies Show with a showing of "American Graffiti" on Wednesday, July 8, at 8 p.m.

The Oldies Show is led by three dynamic singers and backed by both a rhythm and horns sections. The troupe plays hits from the 1950s, 60s, and 70s.

"American Graffiti" is the 1973 American

coming-of-age comedy film directed and co-written by George Lucas, starring Richard Dreyfuss, Ron Howard, Harrison Ford and Cindy Williams.

The following Wednesday will feature the East Coast premiere of Into the Floyd, followed by a showing of "The Wizard of Oz."

The cost is \$25 per person; the maximum charge per vehicle is \$100. Tickets are available in advance at [proctors.org](http://proctors.org) or by calling the Proctors Box Office at 518-346-6204. Tickets will be available at Jericho the night of the show.

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## Browns Beach Fireworks

Saratoga Lake — Saturday, July 4

**STILLWATER** — Browns Beach kicks off its annual fireworks display on Saturday, July 4, starting at dusk.

Visitors will be charged a \$5 parking fee starting on Saturday. Organizers ask people to arrive early as this year's crowd capacity is reduced due to CDC health recommendations related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Masks and social distancing will be required for those in attendance.

## Countywide Celebration

Dutchess County — Saturday, July 4

**DUTCHESS COUNTY** — Three locations spread throughout the county will entertain crowds on Saturday, July 4, but spaces are limited.

Venues in Wappinger, Rhinebeck and Amenia will host limited sized crowds in an environment similar to a drive-in movie theatre.

The Dutchess County Fairgrounds has room for 3,000 motorists at 6636 Route 9 in Rhinebeck.

Dutchess Stadium will welcome 500 cars at its Wappinger location on 1500 Route 9D in Wappinger. And, Amenia, located in Eastern Dutchess County, can fit 300 cars at the Silo Ridge Field Club Equestrian Center (Keane Stud), located on 217 Depot Hill Road.

Each location opens admission at 7:30 p.m. and fireworks are scheduled to start at 9:30 p.m.

## Independence Day fireworks

Tupper Lake — Saturday, July 4

**TUPPER LAKE** — The community will welcome people to observe its annual Independence Day fireworks show from the safety of their car on Saturday, July 4, starting at dusk.

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## From page B1 ... No pass for Crossgates

The 14-page presentation was published in anticipation that local malls would be allowed to open in early June. Stores with streetside entrances have since been permitted to reopen, but the majority of mall stores remain closed. When indoor malls were left off the list of permitted businesses, the mall's management group and local politicians pleaded to Gov. Andrew Cuomo to reconsider.

"With 2,500 jobs estimated to be on hold alone at Crossgates Mall, the workers, businesses and local governments who depend on indoor malls to drive traffic and revenue, are on hold with no clear timetable as to when they can safely reopen," Assemblymember Patricia Fahy said on June 11, when sending out a public plea to have malls open as part of the governor's Phase 3 roll out. "Numerous big box stores have been open throughout the pandemic, while indoor malls have been prepared for weeks with detailed proper protocols to open responsibly, yet have received no guidance or direction."

Big box stores, such as Home Depot and Lowe's, have had their doors open. Walmart and Target have remained open throughout the pandemic because grocery stores were deemed essential businesses since March. The perceived disparity between essential and non-essential businesses has caused frustration and ignited demonstrations throughout the state, including Albany.

Pyramid was preparing to open

Crossgates Mall at the onset of Phase 2 of the governor's plan in early June. The management group said it had devised a plan without state input, but had sought input from MARSH Risk Management. A review of the plan revealed that the group was ready to implement some practices already witnessed in public parks, such as social distancing prompts. Other points included "proactive touchless disinfecting" by means of CDC and EPA approved electrostatic sprayers, and an improved regiment of sanitizing common areas such as the restrooms, seating areas and food court.

Though the management group was confident that the spacious structures of its malls would allow for sufficient social distancing, it would have required all visitors to wear masks. All mall employees would have been subject to wellness checks. Curbside pickup spaces were also being prepared in mall parking lots. The group was ready to instruct its restaurants and entertainment venues to remain closed.

The group was to launch a three-pronged "Safety First" marketing campaign that would have included advertising and social media. This is not to suggest these plans won't be used once the mall does reopen.

"Our collective investment of time and money into safely and responsibly re-opening our centers was considerable," Pyramid said in a recent statement. "Re-opening is key to the survival of these retailers, many of which are locally owned and are now in grave danger of never being able to open their doors."



Crossgates' website has remained quiet since announcing the shutdown. However Walden Galleria, its sister mall in Buffalo, has been more on the offensive. As other locations were permitted to open under Phase 3, the mall's website cried that its tenants were "penalized unfairly."

"Nearly 30 food and beverage businesses at Walden Galleria, representing more than 500 employees at the center, are demanding fairness and quick action from New York state in allowing them to re-open immediately alongside all restaurants..." mall officials said in a statement. "Despite carefully following the phased approach outlined by the state on May 4th and investing significantly in new safety and social distancing protocols, in addition to meeting all local and national health and safety metrics, these businesses and their employees are in serious jeopardy at a critical juncture in our state's recovery."

Robert F. Mujica Jr., the state's budget director, informed local leaders last week that the governor was not opening malls, movie theaters and gyms as part of Phase 4, according to a report published in the Times Union. The following day, the governor said in his daily update that he stands by his approach based on its success.

"Our approach has been vindicated and the phased reopening based on facts is working," Cuomo said Wednesday, June 24. "I said from day one that the theory the virus should be handled politically can't be done. The virus doesn't respond to political theory - it responds to science and data. We're going ahead with our

metrics and our phased reopening, and five regions are set to enter Phase IV on Friday. The numbers continue trending in the right direction as we went from one of the highest infections rates to one of the lowest in the country, so we will also allow slightly larger social and religious gatherings, but people need to continue wearing masks, socially distancing and washing their hands frequently to stay safe."

Crossgates Mall employs approximately 2,700 people with an annual payroll of \$41 million. Its 225 stores generate \$34.4 million in sales tax revenue, including \$17.2 million for state, \$10.3 million for county and \$6.87 million for the town of Guilderland — including \$7.25 million in property taxes.

Guilderland Town Supervisor Peter Barber said he was hopeful small businesses would be "allowed the same opportunity as far larger stores" to open soon.

"I am hopeful that small businesses will soon be allowed the same opportunity as far larger stores to resume serving our community," said Barber. "They have shown a commitment to adhering to all health guidelines for protecting their customers and employees."



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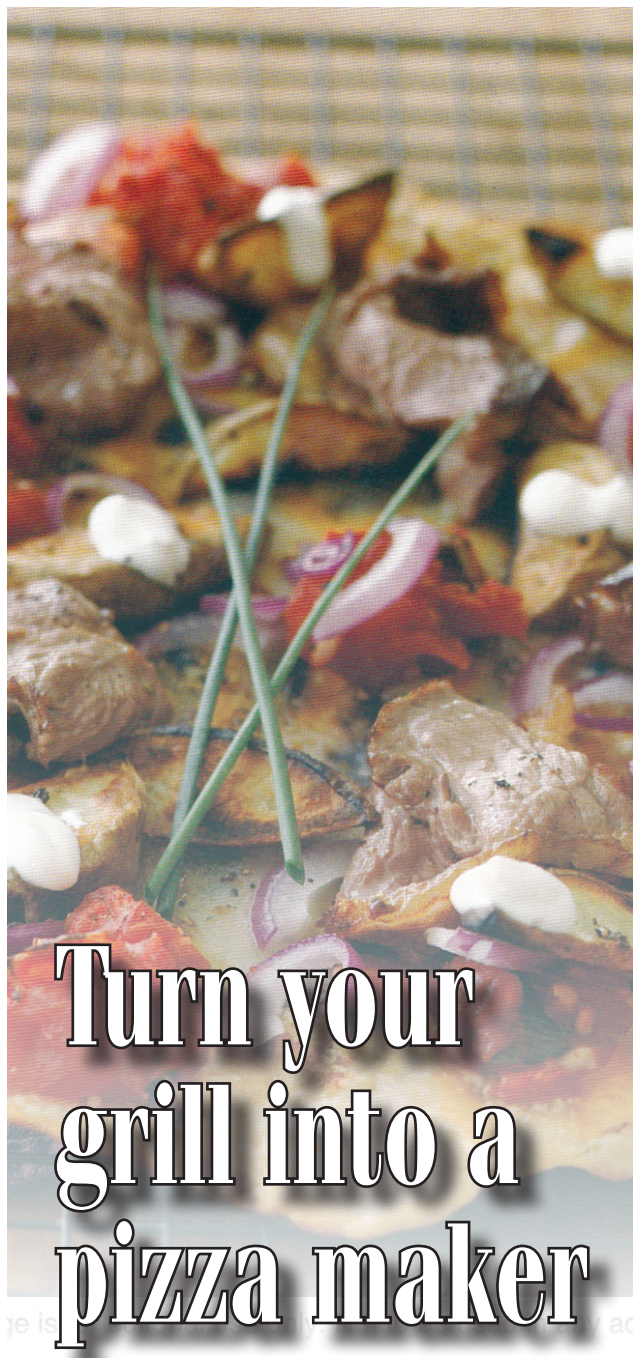
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## FOOD & VINO

Some say an outdoor kitchen isn't complete without a pizza oven. A delicious pie straight out of a blazing hot oven can be delectable when dining al fresco, but pizza also can be made right on the grill.

This recipe for "The Chicagoan" from Craig W. Priebe's "Grilled Pizzas & Piadinas" (DK) utilizes grilled beef and sliced potatoes to give this grilled pizza a steakhouse flavor. Use a homemade dough or your favorite premade variety available at your local grocery store.

### The Chicagoan

#### Ingredients: Makes a 12-inch pizza

- 1 russet potato, peeled and sliced about 1/4-inch thick
- 3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 8 ounces top sirloin or strip steak
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 1 grilled pizza crust
- 1 tablespoon grated Parmesan
- 1 cup shredded mozzarella
- 1/2 cup shredded cheddar
- 1 cup chunky tomato sauce
- 1/2 cup thinly sliced red onions
- 1/4 cup sour cream
- 2 tablespoons minced fresh chives

#### Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 400 F. Place the sliced potato in a large bowl and toss with two tablespoons olive oil, salt and pepper. Line a baking sheet with foil and spread the slices in a single layer. Bake for about 15 minutes, until the potato is golden and tender. While still hot, loosen

the slices with a spatula so they don't stick.

2. Prepare a grill for direct cooking over high heat. Season the steak liberally on both sides with the salt and pepper. Grill the steak over the hottest part of the fire for 4 minutes. Turn and grill for 4 minutes longer, until the steak is medium-rare and well charred. Remove and let sit for 5 minutes. Slice thinly.

3. Brush the grilled side of the pizza crust with the remaining one tablespoon olive oil and dust with the Parmesan. Sprinkle the mozzarella and cheddar on top. Drop spoonfuls of the chunky tomato sauce onto the pizza. Top with the potato, red onion and the steak.

4. Grill the pizza with indirect heat. If your grill is still hot, move coals to one side or turn off one burner and allow the pizza to cook on the side without a direct flame. Grill the pizza for 5 to 8 minutes, or until the crust is crisp and brown. The bottom may have a few black spots from charring. Optional: Broil the cooked pizza in the oven for 1 to 2 minutes more to caramelize the top.

5. Before serving, drop teaspoons of the sour cream onto the pizza, and garnish with the fresh chives.

#### Grilling the crust

To grill a pizza crust for this recipe, roll out to a 12-inch circle and place on a cookie sheet. Adjust the grill to reach a temperature of 400 F.

Slide the dough onto the grill. The dough should take about 3 minutes to cook. Watch for bubbles. The crust will be soft at first and tear easily. To check doneness, lift the underside. It should be an even light brown with brown grill marks.

Pick up the crust using tongs and place it on your cookie sheet. Flip it over so the grilled side is face up. This browned side becomes the top of your pizza.

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- 10. Not arranged according to size
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- 13. Having a play of lustrous rainbowlike colors
- 14. Panama has one
- 15. Taking legal action
- 16. Top of the body
- 17. Part of (abbr.)
- 18. Soul and calypso song
- 19. Murres
- 21. Irish river
- 22. Accepts as true
- 27. The Bay State
- 28. 1950s Hollywood icon
- 33. Blood type
- 34. In a way, became lost
- 36. Large primate
- 37. A spongelike cake leavened with yeast
- 38. Mama \_\_\_, folk singer
- 39. Visual metaphor (computers)
- 40. Trim by cutting
- 41. Small group of people
- 44. Pulitzer-winning scientist
- 45. Unique S. American mammal
- 48. Energy, style and enthusiasm
- 49. One who works for you
- 50. Snakelike fish
- 51. Consumers

- 3. Late rocker Allman
- 4. Word element meaning ear
- 5. Amino acid (abbr.)
- 6. Promotions
- 7. Actress Lathan
- 8. Clothed
- 9. Unwell
- 10. Loosen
- 11. Cephalopod mollusks
- 12. \_\_\_ at Obdurata: Harmful papal bull
- 14. Musical composition
- 17. Irish bar
- 18. Greek island
- 20. Afflict
- 23. Goes by
- 24. Ambience
- 25. Video game manufacturer
- 26. Surplus Marketing Administration
- 29. Football position
- 30. Electronic musical style (abbr.)
- 31. Furniture with open shelves
- 32. Clouds of gas in outer space
- 35. Indian midwife
- 36. Packers' signal caller
- 38. Secret political clique
- 40. Cry weakly
- 41. Gomer \_\_\_, marine
- 42. Academic Bill of Rights
- 43. Negatives
- 44. Hip hop icon Kool Moe \_\_\_

#### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Cylindrical sacs
- 2. Extinct North Germanic language

Answers on Pg. B10



## INTERVIEW

# State of Mind

JJ Savage dropped new single June 25

By **KAITLIN LEMBO**

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**LOS ANGELES** — Albany-born rocker JJ Savage dropped another single, "State of Mind," on Thursday, June 25. Savage, real name Joey Pettinato, is a 19-year-old hard rock and metal guitarist currently living in Los Angeles. His debut single, "Junkyard Dogs," released in 2019, peaked at No. 9 on the Global Top 50 Rock Chart, according to metalfromtheinside.com. Savage sat down with The Spot 518 for a quick Q&A about the new release.

**Kaitlin Lembo:** What was the inspiration for "State of Mind?" I know you've said before you've been through some trauma, particularly when you were in New York. How did that trauma and your past experiences influence the project, if at all?

**JJ Savage:** The "State of Mind" title is a reference to my "mind over matter" philosophy. I think that even in times of crisis, we can do our best by controlling our own mindset. I also like the idea that rather than associating the term with a state within the union, the lyric associates the slogan with personal power. "State of Mind" basically says that with a good state of mind, you can accomplish almost everything. I have had my personal struggles, but as I grow older my personal power is more refined; I feel like I can control my emotions more so than before.

**KL:** Your song titles are incredibly alluring. I find

myself really drawn to how original they are. Do you name the song first or write it? What does that process look like, especially to find a title that briefly fits the song you want to market?

**JJS:** My songwriting partner, Turmoil, is also my manager. We often throw lyrical ideas around while we are traveling and otherwise goofing around. He's always taking what I say and throwing it back at me — and encouraging me to use my own catchphrases and words for song concepts. The song lyrics are my personal reflections and I try not to over-analyze them. Hopefully, they speak to the people and bring a bit of light and energy to the fans.

**KL:** You said you received a guitar at 9 and took lessons. Since then, you've been shredding with the pros. One of your influences is Zakk Wylde, one of my personal favorites. How did Wylde influence your style of playing? What influences your approach to your art form?

**JJS:** Zakk is my [absolute favorite] but I also dig many, many others. Frank Hannon from Tesla is another super sweet player that I love but I have a long list. Tommy Aldridge from Whitesnake. Obviously the greats like Ronnie Montrose, Angus, Randy, Eddie and Jimi; also I am digging some new cats that are just now coming down the pike.

**KL:** You're on the charts with the likes of Five Finger Death Punch and The Killers. What has the journey been like from New York to where you are now? What

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## HOROSCOPES

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### ARIES – MAR 21/APR 20

Aries, your finances will be hard to corral until you get a firm grasp of your spending and saving patterns. It is easy to find yourself into financial quicksand, so act soon.

### TAURUS – APR 21/MAY 21

Career concerns have been on your mind lately, Taurus. It may seem like the opportunities you thought were out there have vanished. Opportunity is there if you look.

### GEMINI – MAY 22/JUN 21

The desire to make big changes in your life may not be possible right now, Gemini. Rather, focus on small things you can change immediately and easily.

### CANCER – JUN 22/JUL 22

Insecurity about the future could put a bit of a damper on daily life, Cancer. No one really knows what is around the corner, so try to take things one day at a time.

### LEO – JUL 23/AUG 23

It may be time to have a heart-to-heart conversation with someone you deeply care about, Leo. You may need to surround this person with positivity right now.

### VIRGO – AUG 24/SEPT 22

Virgo, a shock will hit you midweek. An event unfolds in a way you did not anticipate, and you must go with the flow. Things will settle down soon enough.

### LIBRA – SEPT 23/OCT 23

Hitting a creative wall can certainly derail your plans, Libra. But only if you let it. Instead, enlist the help of others for some creative inspiration that can put you back on track.

### SCORPIO – OCT 24/NOV 22

You may find it very challenging to see eye-to-eye with someone close to you. It's easy to let things escalate. Agree to disagree and recognize you each have a point.

### SAGITTARIUS – NOV 23/DEC 21

Sagittarius, professional matters may require further investigation this week. If you desire stability, it may be time to find a different career path.

### CAPRICORN – DEC 22/JAN 20

Finding time to do something for yourself can be tough when everyone seems to be relying on you. But you have to set aside moments for personal pampering, Capricorn.

### AQUARIUS – JAN 21/FEB 18

Aquarius, count your blessings in the days ahead. Doing so will help you look at things through a new perspective that will help you in the short- and long-term.

### PISCES – FEB 19/MAR 20

You may reevaluate your plans when a bit of shocking news comes your way, Pisces. The nature of this news is positive, so look forward to it.



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## From page B7 ...

### JJ Savage

have you learned as a musician as your name is becoming a household one amongst rock and metal fans?

**JJS:** I have learned to be more patient and to appreciate the moment. I am currently very lucky to be in a band with the great Andy Galeon, from Death Angel, and my [favorite] bassist, Michael Butler from Exodus. We were just starting to hit on all cylinders when the virus hit, so now we are just getting back to work and

hoping the coast is clear for us to go out on tour. We want to get with our fans again as soon as possible.

**KL:** Tell me something about "State of Mind" that no one would know. What's a fun fact about the writing/production/marketing of the single?

**JJS:** There really are no secrets, except for maybe if the fans really saw how the sausage is made, it might remove some of the glamour. Mostly, it's sweaty work and long hours and intense moments.

Sometimes things get heated and volatile, but mostly it all works out in the end.

**KL:** When did you finally find your sound and settle into the image that is JJ Savage?

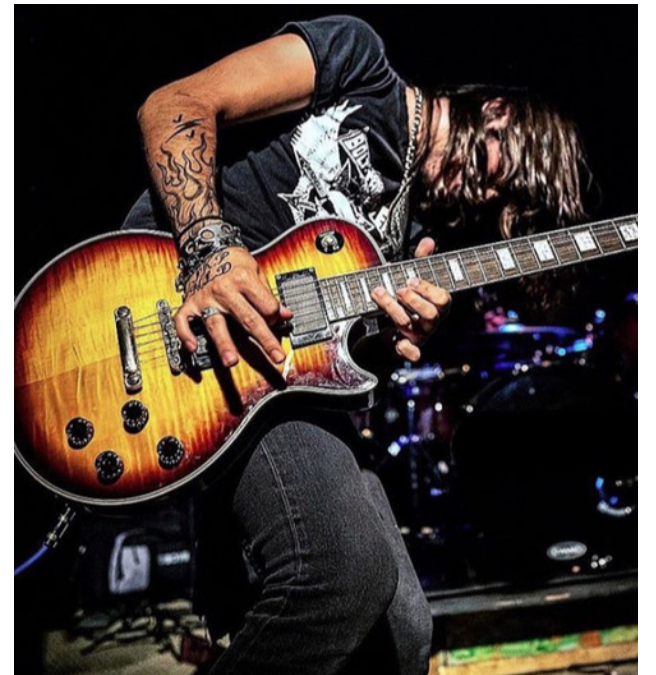
**JJS:** I found my real sound when [Galeon] and Butler showed up. I'm also lucky to be surrounded by true music makers and producers that bring whatever talent I have into a good light. I am very thankful for all that.

**KL:** Anything fans from the 518 should know about your upcoming projects?

**JJS:** Yes. Hang tight, we are "coming soon."

"State of Mind," and the rest of Savage's discography, can be found on Amazon Music, iTunes and Spotify.

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5	6	7	8	9	4	3	1	2
2	1	4	3	5	7	6	8	9
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# Out in the great wide open

How diners can prepare to go out as restaurants reopen

Many communities across the globe have begun to gradually reopen. That's good news for the millions of small businesses that have struggled as the world responded with extreme caution to prevent the potentially deadly COVID-19 virus from spreading.

Estimates from the National Restaurant Association indicate that restaurant sales in the United States decreased by tens of billions of dollars in March and April, while forecasts predicted those numbers would be in the hundreds of billions by the end of the 2020. In recognition of the vital roles restaurants play in building and

fostering strong communities, consumers are looking forward to returning to their favorite establishments as economies slowly reopen. Diners can do their part to make reopening efforts successful and sustainable by staying home if they are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19. Venturing out while symptomatic puts everyone, including restaurant workers and fellow diners, at risk, so it's imperative that people pay attention to their bodies and avoid going out if they are experiencing even mild symptoms.

In addition to staying home if they are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, diners



can take these steps to work in partnership with local restaurants as these vital components of the community begin to reopen.

- Dine out in small groups. Phase 1 reopening guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommended gatherings be limited to no more than

10 people. But when dining out, consumers should keep their groups even smaller. An assortment of studies from the CDC have found that the virus is easily spread among groups of people in enclosed spaces. By limiting dinner parties to no more than the number of people in their households, consumers can help restaurants safely

reopen.

- Wear masks. Wearing a mask to a restaurant may seem odd, but by keeping their mask on until their food arrives, diners can help prevent the spread of the virus. The World Health Organization notes that it's believed the virus can spread through small respiratory droplets produced while talking or laughing. So diners can keep themselves and fellow customers and restaurant workers safe by wearing their masks until their food arrives.

- Remain patient. Life in the era of social distancing requires significant adjustments, and restaurants reopening will be adjusting right along with everyone else. Afford

restaurant staff ample patience and go along with any protocols restaurant owners put in place. All measures are aimed at keeping customers and staff safe while getting people who have been out of work for months back on the job. Each of those goals is worth the patience it may take to help restaurants achieve them.

- Order takeout. If you're uncomfortable visiting a local restaurant in person or frustrated by potentially long wait times for a table, order takeout instead. Restaurants need the business after a very rough stretch, and consumers can benefit greatly from a night off from cooking.

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