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Headlines that grabbed your attention in 2020

Few storylines captured our attention more than the coronavirus pandemic that has gripped the world since March. COVID-19 leads our list of Top News Stories for 2020, but there was so much more that happened.

COVID-19

ALBANY — The World Health Organization reported over 3,000 deaths and nearly 90,000 cases of novel coronavirus worldwide by Monday, March 2. Over that weekend, a New York City resident was confirmed as the state's first case and among only 15 verified in the United States.

"Ultimately, we expect we will see community spread in this country. It's not so much a question of if this will happen anymore but rather more a question of exactly when this will happen and how

many people in this country will have severe illness," said Dr. Nancy Messonnier, the director of the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases.

Ten days later, the City of Albany cancelled both the North Albany St. Patrick's Day Parade and the main St. Patrick's Day Parade after the county's first two cases were reported. The two cases — a Guilderland woman in her 30s and a male University at Albany student in his 20s living off campus in the City of Albany — were not related. Both recovered at home while under quarantine.

As of Thursday, Dec. 24, New York City has reported more than 880,000 cases, including 36,454 deaths. In Albany County, 190 residents have died from the virus as nearly 10,000 cases have been confirmed year-to-date.

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Dueling rallies bring the noise

DELMAR – Bethlehem served as the setting for a nationwide conversation between both Black Lives Matter and Back the Blue movements when the two collided at Four Corners on Saturday, July 4.

It was the second of two, sizable rallies to collect in the center of town in less than a month.

At the afternoon's height, roughly 600 people representing both sides stood along the intersection of Delaware and Kenwood avenues, screaming and chanting. It was a scenario the Bethlehem Police Department was initially concerned with, prompting the local police agency to initiate the services of the Albany County Sheriffs and New York State Police.

Pockets of arguments ignited throughout the day as individuals from each side crossed the street to faceoff against the opposition. A confrontation between Black Lives Matter activist Matt Lauricella and former Bethlehem Republican Committee Chairman Keith Wiggand later resulted in the two pressing charges against one another.



More than 1,500 people gathered on Monday, June 8 to rally in protest against a series of controversial deaths across the country of black people at the hands of law enforcement including that of George Floyd.

— Michael Hallisey

A protest, a riot and the cleanup

ALBANY — Five hours following a peaceful protest, violence ripped through the Capital City and spilled into the suburbs.

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

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

Colonie Center was broken into. Guilderland police and deputies from the Albany County Sheriff's Department had all the entrances to Crossgates Mall blocked off and at around midnight a number of cars were circling the closed mall, some taunting police as they drove by.

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

“What went on in Minneapolis should not have happened. What that officer did was nefarious and criminal and he will have his day in court,” said Sheriff Craig Apple. “But I don't want the public to paint all law enforcement officers with the same brush. We are not like that here. We have worked hard to make strides in the community. To build bridges. And this set us back years.”

A 21-year-old Delmar man, James Vail was later arrested for throwing a brick at a police officer, causing a concussion. Vail is scheduled to be sentenced on Friday, Jan. 22. He faces four years in state prison after having pleaded guilty on assault charges.

— Jim Franco

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By MICHAEL HALLISEY
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Hamagrael Elementary has parade for kids, families

DELMAR — Teachers and staff of Bethlehem Central's Hamagrael Elementary lined in procession to parade before their students with signs expressing encouragement and love on Monday afternoon, April 6.

It had nearly been a month since students saw their teachers, most learning lessons from parents juggling day with the Three Rs and their own career obligations.

“Thank you for loving our kids,” read one sign in orange and black, Bethlehem Central's school colors. Several signs shared the slogan “Hamagrael Strong,” while many more were adorned with colorful rainbows.

— Michael Hallisey

Her-story

BETHLEHEM — With four approving and one abstaining votes, the Town Board officially named Detective Sgt. Gina Cocchiara its first female chief on Wednesday, Aug. 26.

Cocchiara was named when board members first appointed her through an interview process initiated by Town Supervisor David VanLuyen.

The Town described Cocchiara as having an “ambitious vision” for modernizing the police department in a climate demanding police reform.

“She's just the right person to lead the department and its outstanding officers into a new era of policing.” VanLuyen said.

— Michael Hallisey

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■ AGRICULTURE

Wellness check on farmers coming

USDA to measure financial well-being of farmers, ranchers

HARRISBURG, Penn. — Beginning in late December, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s National Agricultural Statistics Service will spend several months gathering information about farm economics and production practices from farmers and ranchers across the United States, as the agency conducts the third and final phase of the 2020 Agricultural Resource Management Survey.

“ARMS is the only survey that measures the current financial well-being of producers and their households as a whole,” said King Whetstone, director of the NASS Northeastern Region. “The results of this survey will help

inform decisions on local and federal policies and programs that affect farms and farm families.”

In an effort to obtain the most accurate data, NASS will reach out to more than 30,000 producers nationwide, between January and April in 2021. The survey asks producers to provide in-depth information about their operating revenues, production costs, and household characteristics. The 2020 ARMS survey includes a version of the questionnaire focused on hog and pig production costs and returns. This year the survey also includes questions to help measure any impacts of COVID-19 on farms, farm and household finances, and off-farm employment.

“In February, our interviewers will begin reaching out to those farmers who have not

yet responded,” said Whetstone. “We appreciate their time and are here to help them with the questionnaire so that their information will continue supporting sound agricultural decision making.”

In addition to producing accurate information, NASS has strong safeguards in place to protect the confidentiality of all farmers who respond to its surveys. The agency will only publish data in an aggregate form, ensuring the confidentiality of all responses and that no individual respondent or operation can be identified.

The expense data gathered in ARMS will be published in the annual Farm Production Expenditures report in July 2021. That report and others are available at nass.usda.gov/Publications.



Forever farmland

NORTH BETHLEHEM — The Bethlehem Town Board recently protected more than 40 acres of undeveloped land, permanently protecting it as farmland. The 41.11 acres of land have been owned by the Amsler family for more than 35 years, and is currently owned by Amsler Acres, LLC. Local residents will recognize the Blessing Road property as the Amsler Family Market, where the family has sold vegetables and pumpkins. The conservation agricultural easement prevents any development on the land, preserving the soil for farming.

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Albany Int'l launches virus test

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In this initial phase of airport testing departing and arriving passengers may be tested. To qualify to obtain a test, as an arriving passenger, an individual must have traveled into Albany International Airport and completed the required four-day waiting period. The fee for the self-administered test is \$35 and can be paid via cash or credit card.

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"COVID testing of air travelers is the latest component of our Safe Airport approach to the pandemic and exemplifies Albany International Airport's continued effort

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■ EDUCATION

BC continues Caring and Sharing

Bethlehem's annual charity event continues on despite social distancing challenges

DELMAR — It was like something out of that old holiday classic "It's a Wonderful Life." Only this time, it wasn't the residents of Bedford Falls that stepped up with an unbelievable show of support in a time of need.

District administrators gathered at the high school on Saturday, Dec. 19, as they do every year to distribute bags and baskets of holiday food items and grocery store gift cards to district families in need of assistance. But it was touch-and-go leading up to the day, as the annual community-wide effort known as the BC Caring and Sharing program, like many things, found itself threatened by the lingering

COVID crisis.

With most schools moving to remote learning at a moment's notice, food donations to the annual holiday program stopped when students could not come to school. But when the message went out to the community that the Caring and Sharing program needed some help, the response was nothing short of amazing. And a pandemic that doesn't want to quit couldn't stop a generous school community from contributing all that it could to help neighbors in need.

On December 15, cars lined up by the dozen at the high school to drop off food items, toiletries and more as part of a Drive-Up and Drop-Off collection program that helped to fill in where school food collections could not be fulfilled.

And gift card donations, too, came flooding in

during the final week and included donors, old and new, who supported the program. Some of these included:

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These major donors, as well as the community members who gave to this year's Caring and Sharing Program, have our deepest gratitude. With their help and yours, many of our BC neighbors will have it a little easier this week as we head into the holiday break.

The BC Caring and Sharing program will continue to provide assistance as the 2020-21 school year continues. District families who still need assistance as we move into the new year are encouraged to reach out to their child's school counselor.

Popular Blackbirds baseball coach dies

SLINGERLANDS — Timothy James Selby, 70, passed peacefully from this life on December 21, 2020, at St. Peter's Hospital after a brief illness with his wife by his side.

Tim was born in Amsterdam, N.Y., on October 9, 1950, the son of the late James B. Selby and Ethel Stewart Chirico. He attended Wilbur H. Lynch High School, graduating in 1968. Tim received a bachelor's degree in secondary education from the State University College in Oneonta, and a master's degree in social welfare from the

State University of New York in Albany. Tim worked as a social worker and social work supervisor at Parsons Child and Family Center in Albany for 30 years, retiring in February 2014.

Tim enjoyed working with children, particularly teenagers. Ever empathetic, genuine and caring, he always felt that he could learn as much if not more from them as they could from him. Tim was consistently active in his sons' activities. He spent six years as the cub master of Cub Scout Pack 73 in Voorheesville during the 1990s as

well as many years coaching them in basketball and baseball.

Tim coached baseball for many years including when his sons played, and continued coaching until the time of his death. Most recently, Tim was an assistant for the Varsity Baseball Team at Voorheesville High School, beloved by the young men he coached.

Tim's passions were his family, the N.Y. Yankees and baseball. He was happiest when spending time with his family or on a baseball diamond whether coaching or attending a game.

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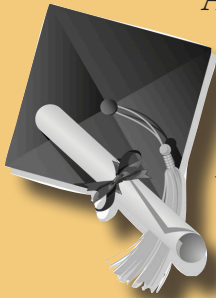
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OBITUARIES

Conway, Lawrence

DELMAR — Lawrence “Sam” Conway, 74, died Sunday, December 20, 2020, from complications of Parkinson’s disease.

He was husband of 50 years to Grace Conway; father to Nicholas Conway and Elizabeth DiNuzzo (Louis); and Grampa Sampa to Daphne, Cecily, and Louis DiNuzzo. He was brother to Gerard Conway (Helen), Elaine Conway, Edward Conway, Gayle Doyle (Paul), Mary Lucy Cook, Rita Seymour (Dave), Laura Conway (Richard Platkin), Christopher Conway (Valentina), and Brian Conway. He had a close bond with his cousin Terry McArdle; and he was uncle to 37 nieces and nephews. He joins his father, William Conway; his mother, Elaine Conway; and his brothers, Dr. William Conway, Thomas Conway, and John Conway, in the great afterworld.

Sam graduated from Vincentian Institute in

1964 and from Syracuse University in 1968. He served in the 364th General Hospital Army Reserve with his good friend Al Kleinke, and he worked with adolescent boys for 38 years at the LaSalle School in Albany. Sam will be remembered for his humor, his knack for making people at ease, and his tremendous love for his family and friends.

The family thanks St. Peter’s Nursing & Rehabilitation Center staff for their care and kindness. A celebration of Sam’s life will be held in Summer 2021. Those wishing to remember Sam may make a donation to the Pitt Hopkins Research Foundation in honor of his beloved granddaughter

Johnson, Francis J.

BETHLEHEM — Francis J. Johnson, 60 of Bethlehem, passed on Monday, December 21, 2020, from cancer, with his wife of 33 years by his side.

Francis was born on June 2, 1960, in Wellesley,

Mass. to the late Frank and Gloria Johnson (Sallusto). He is survived by his wife Mary Johnson (Miana); his children, Matthew Johnson and Corinne Johnson (Richardson) and Mary-Francis Byrne (Johnson) and Matthew Byrne; his grandsons, Caleb and Julian Johnson and Noah Byrne; and his sisters, Meg Ignacio (Ray), Gloria Moak (James) and Annette Ridley (Michael).

Fran graduated from B.C.H.S. in 1978 and Geneseo State in 1982 with a B.A. in speech communications. He briefly pursued journalism and radio before beginning his sales career under the tutelage of his boss and future bride, Mary Miana. From selling peanut butter, to pharmaceuticals, to TANY, where he finished his career, Fran will be remembered as the quintessential salesman. He was a gifted orator and respected mentor to all; his impact will serve his turn long after he is gone.

Above all, Francis valued his family the most. Vacations to Chatham,

Mass. was an annual ritual where he did his best teaching under the shade of his Chatham A’s cap with a cold beer. He cherished traveling with his wife, everywhere from Gettysburg to Italy. He was a learned historian in many topics from sports trivia to American history to investing. He entrusted his son to hold his passion for athletics and their grander implications; and to his daughter, the value of saving for a rainy day and quiet confidence. Francis was a man of unalienable character and faith. He left us upon the Star of Bethlehem, until we meet again on the beach at Cape Cod.

Relatives and friends were invited to call at the Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. A funeral was held at St. Pius X Church in Loudonville. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to The Francis J. Johnson LAX Scholarship online at albany.edu/ giving (note your gift is in memory of Fran Johnson).

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155 W. 68 UNIT 703 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/28/20. 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, 675 West End Avenue, Apartment 5B, New York, NY 10025. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258227

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

157 COMMERCIAL 18 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/30/20. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2045. 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 BGans Management, 110 East 30th Street, Lbby 1, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257689

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

16 WEST 16TH STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/25/20. 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 E. 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257592

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

1922 HOYT SY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/10/20. 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, 23-22 30th Road, #12D, Astoria, NY 11102. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257483

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

195 PORT RICHMOND AVE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/12/20. 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, 195 Port Richmond Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10302. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257284

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

197 WAVERLY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/09/20. 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, 197 Waverly Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258507

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

211-35 34TH ROAD LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/03/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC

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upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 211-19 34th Road, Bayside, NY 11361. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258025

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

225 W. 10 HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/23/20. 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 Redwood Top Holdings LLC, Lizmar Mgmt, 124 Thompson Street, Suite F, New York, NY 10012. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257535

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

267 23RD STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/09/20. 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, 267 23rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11215. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257822

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

2819 BRIGHTON 8 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/13/20. 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, 2215 East 4th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11223. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257295

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

29 OXFORD ROAD LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/03/20. 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, 29 Oxford Road, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258026

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

30 EAST 31ST STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/07/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 262-26 149th Road, Rosedale, NY 11422. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258140

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

311 FIFTH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/23/20. 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, 176 East 77th Street, Apartment 3G, New York, NY 10075. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257536

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NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

350 PANTIGO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/12/20. 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, 105 Metropolitan Avenue, 3rd Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11249. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-256799

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

36 DORCHESTER ROAD LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/03/20. 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, 12 Win Place, Lake Grove, NY 11755. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258187

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

421 ADELPHI ST APT G LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/02/20. 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 Marion Ulmann, 223 Bedford Avenue, Suite 1101, Brooklyn, NY 11211. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257907

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

429 BRP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/10/20. 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, 2215 East 4th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11223. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257295

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

463 85TH STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/10/20. 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, 77 83rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258861

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

463 85TH STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/10/20. 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, 77 83rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258862

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

5 MAIDEN LANE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/11/20. 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 Curt Kramer, 111 Great Neck Road, Suite 216, Great Neck, NY 11021. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258750

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

530 PINNACLE REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/08/20. 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, 530 40th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11232. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258226

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

781 WASHINGTON AVENUE FUNDING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/03/20. 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 Green Assets Inc., 875 Mamaroneck Avenue, Suite 306, Mamaroneck, NY 10543. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258027

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

816 N. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/16/20. 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, 515 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257336

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

81ST STREET ZEF LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 11/19/20. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 01/07/2016. 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, 488 Madison Avenue, Suite 1230, New York, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257481

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

A MIGHTY FLAME LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/14/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 56-33 228th Street, Oakland Gardens, NY 11364. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258866

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

AFR CAPITAL ADVISORY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/23/20. 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, 50 Riverside Drive, Apartment 14F, New York, NY 10024. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257510

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

AGIA ERINE REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/03/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of

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process to the LLC, 22-71 33rd Street, Astoria, NY 11103. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258024

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

AVENUES RESIDENTIAL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/02/20. 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 Edward R. Smolka, Esq., 5 Tudor City Place, Lobby 11, New York, NY 10017-6853. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258624

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

AZ-#3650 HUBER HEIGHTS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/23/20. 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, 541 West 21st Street, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257511

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

AZ-#3663 JEFFERSON-TOWN LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/23/20. 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, 541 West 21st Street, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257512

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

BATTERY PLACE GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/30/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Jane Son, 333 W. 57th Street, #4J, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258730

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

BOROUGH ROAD CONSULTING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/21/20. 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, 912 Avenue L, Brooklyn, NY 11230. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258358

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

BRISTOL ART ADVISORY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/01/20. 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, 48 East Maynes Avenue, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257423

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enth Avenue, Suite 14-S, New York, NY 10018. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257744

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

CDWLegacy, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/02/20. 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, 216-21 114th Road, Cambria Heights, NY 11411. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257282

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

CHAPARRO AVENUE D LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/02/02. 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, 4212 Avenue D, Brooklyn, NY 11203. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257880

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

COMBINED BY ALANNA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/23/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 9 E. 32nd Street, Apartment 8B, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257596

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

CP 6J LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/11/20. 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 Richard Reiknecht, c/o Jane Son, 333 W. 57th Street, #4J, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258730

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

CT TABOR HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/09/20. 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, 912 Avenue L, Brooklyn, NY 11230. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258358

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

CUNNINGHAM FARM LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/18/20. 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, 48 East Maynes Avenue, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257423

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

CUNNINGHAM LAWN CARE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/18/20. 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, 48 East Maynes Avenue, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257424

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

DREAM CAR NY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/12/20. 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, 4101 Boston Road, Bronx, NY 10466. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-256800

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

E.S.C. CONSULTING SERVICES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/23/20. 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, 77-24 83rd Street, Glendale, NY 11385. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257922

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

EARNEST SUPPLY LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 05/27/20. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware 05/13/20. 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, 444 East 81st Street, New York, NY 10028. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258082

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

EEC UNITED LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/10/20. 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, 463 Myrtle Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258626

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

ENRICHMENT MATTERS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/11/20. 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, 153 Beach 126th Street, Suite 2, Rockaway Beach, NY 11694. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258822

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

FOODIES BLISS EAST END LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/09/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of

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process to the LLC, c/o Robert Rizzuto, 45 West Alfred Avenue, Calverton, NY 11933. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258820

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

FORNO DOLCE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/01/20. 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, 1416B Clintonville Street, Whitestone, NY 11357. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257743

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

G&S 3RD AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/03/20. 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, 681 81st Street, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257482

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

GFC LIFE CRUSADERS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/30/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, P.O. Box 610199, Bayside, NY 11361. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258116

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

GKDS ENTERPRISES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/30/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 2180 38th Street, Apartment D9, Astoria, NY 11105. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257660

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

GOOD PROPERTIES 1713 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/27/19. 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, 1657 Lurting Avenue, Bronx, NY 10461. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257416

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

GOOD PROPERTIES 933 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/12/20. 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, 1187 Van Nest Avenue, Bronx, NY 10461. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257417

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GOOD PROPERTIES 975 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/20/18. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1657 Lurting Avenue, Bronx, NY 10461. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257418

NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION

GPG DENTAL PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/11/20. 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, 275 Madison Avenue, Suite 2500, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Dentistry. D-258836

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

HUDSON BUILDING MANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/02/20. 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, 23-07 30th Drive, Astoria, NY 11102. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257886

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

HYBRID AND ELECTRIC POWER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/12/19. 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, 43-10 39th Street, Sunnyside, NY 11104. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257593

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

IRVING CAPITAL GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/16/20. 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, 276 West 238th Street, Bronx, NY 10463. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257332

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

J.G.PERKIN, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/03/20. 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 Jonathan Perkin, 1070 Park Avenue, Suite 5A, New York, NY 10128. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258023

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

JASOL REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/25/20. 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, c/o Falco Rappaport & Berkman PLLC, 265 Sunrise Highway, Suite 50, Rockville Centre, NY 11570. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258961

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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, c/o Ilana R. Schwitzer, Esq., 17-01 Prospect Avenue, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257582

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

JJ ESTABLISHMENT LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 11/17/20. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 11/13/20. 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, 478 Albany Avenue, Suite 210, Brooklyn, NY 11203. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257422

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JLR SOLUTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/11/20. 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, 622 Leland Avenue, Bronx, NY 10473. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258734

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

KSHM LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/16/20. 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, c/o Graubard & Blumenfeld, P.C., 370 Lexington Avenue, 27th Floor, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257333

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

LIGHTHOUSE PATHWAYS, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 11/09/20. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 11/04/20. 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, 478 Albany Avenue, Suite 124, Brooklyn, NY 11203. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258863

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

LUDIC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/10/20. 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, 45 East 85th Street, 2E, New York, NY 10028. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258837

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MARCO GALLOTTA DESIGNS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/07/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Edgaras Pantelejevas, P.O. Box 1092, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257390

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SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Falco Rappaport & Berkman PLLC, 265 Sunrise Highway, Suite 50, Rockville Centre, NY 11570. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258961

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MEX BAKED GOODS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/04/20. 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, 110 Nagle Avenue, New York, NY 10040. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258080

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MM US PARTNERS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/13/20. 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, 7844 Herschel Avenue, La Jolla, CA 92037. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257290

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

NewCo Capital Group V, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/14/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 30 Washington Street, Suite 5L, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258879

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

NOMAD TOWER GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/09/20. 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, 10 E. 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258570

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

NOTAVIA HOLLOW LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/14/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Edgaras Pantelejevas, P.O. Box 1092, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257390

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Bethlehem will accept sealed bids for: US 9W Feura Bush Road/ Glenmont Road Intersection and Sidewalk Reconstruction Project. The project includes the construction of a two-lane roundabout at the intersection of US Route 9W/Feura Bush Road/ Glenmont Road in the Town of Bethlehem.

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Other project features include asphalt pavement reconstruction, installation of granite curb, closed drainage, installation of sidewalks, stormwater management practices, roadway lighting, signage, striping, water main relocation, sanitary sewer relocation, and landscaping. This project is a Federal Aid project and NYSDOT Standard Specifications must be followed unless otherwise revised by these documents. The DBE goal for the project is 6%.

Contract will be awarded based upon the lowest qualified bid who complies with the project bid documents. A bid deposit and performance and payment bonds will be required for the project. Contract Documents, including Invitation to Bidders, Instructions to Bidders, Wage Rates, Bid Documents, Agreement, Special Notes, Specifications, Contract Drawings, and any Addenda, are available by email. Digital versions of the plans and specifications may be obtained by contacting the design engineer. Bid document requests shall be made by calling (518)-689-1836 or by emailing cfarmer@cmellp.com.

Hard copies of the bid documents will not be provided. No questions or inquiries regarding this bid will be accepted within three (3) business days prior to the bid opening.

Bids to be considered must be received in a sealed envelope at Town of Bethlehem Town Clerk's Office, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054 by 11:00 AM, local time, on January 28, 2021 at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids received after the above noted time will not be accepted. All sealed envelopes should be clearly labeled "BID FOR US 9W FEURA BUSH ROAD/GLENMONT ROAD INTERSECTION AND SIDEWALK RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT". The sealed bids shall include the completed Bid Form, Non-Collusive Bidding Certification (as required by chapter 956 of the Laws of New York State), and Bid Bond. Anyone attending the bid opening must wear a mask and abide by all Town of Bethlehem protocols in place at the time of the bid opening. Only one Company representative will be allowed to attend the bid opening. Please wear a cloth face covering at all times and maintain a distance of 6 feet whenever possible.

Owner's Contact Nanci Moquin Town Clerk
Town of Bethlehem (518)439-4955x1183 nmoquin@townofbethlehem.org
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NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

OMBU LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/16/20. 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, c/o Schwartz Levine Pinkas Stark PLLC, 150 Broadway, Suite 1703, New York, NY 10038. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257480

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ON BRAND STUDIOS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/12/20. 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 Fallek & Fallek, PLLC, One Battery Park Plaza, 32nd Floor, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-256796

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

PADELL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/19/20. 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, c/o Padell Business Management Inc., 213 West 35th Street, Suite 802A, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257442

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

PERSONAL SUPPORT SERVICES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/19/20. 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, 60-43 76th Street, Middle Village, NY 11379. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257444

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

PINEHURST ASSOCIATES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/12/20. 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, 350 Motor Parkway, Suite 308, Hauppauge, NY 11788. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-256797

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

POP POP GLASS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/16/20. 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, c/o Colin Clancey, 1671 11th

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Avenue, Apartment 3E, Brooklyn, NY 11215. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257574

NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION

RACHEL D MANN LCSW PSYCHOTHERAPY PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/11/20. 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, 315 West 57th Street, Suite 306, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Licensed Clinical Social Work. D-258864

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

RADAC ASSOCIATES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/18/20. 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, 1399 Franklin Avenue, Suite 202, Garden City, NY 11530. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257425

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

REAL ESTATE RICH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/13/20. 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, 371 West 126th Street, Unit 4B, New York, NY 10027. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257291

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

ROMAR DISTRIBUTION LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/02/20. 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, 324 Decatur Street, Brooklyn, NY 11233. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257916

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

SEAS THE DAY SEAFOOD, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/04/20. 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, 46 Bogert Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10314. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258076

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

SEBASTIAN LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/30/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 207 East 57th Street, Unit 9C, New York, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. C-257690

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SFX89, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/19/20. 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, c/o Joao Siffert, 155 East 72nd Street, Apartment 13D, New York, NY 10021. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257445

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SHARKTAIL ENTERPRISES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/15/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 38 Monroe Place, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258999

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SHORPUT, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/23/20. 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 Allan S. Puterman, 345 W. 58th Street, Apartment 4A, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257533

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SHRIVE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/12/20. 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, 7 West 21st Street, #1601, New York, NY 10010. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257283

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SIMCO REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/31/19. 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, 42 West 48th Street, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10036. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257597

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SISHODIA PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/04/20. 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, 330 East 38th Street, 23P, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Law. D-257908

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SKYLINE 520 VENTURES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/03/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the

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LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Natalia Sishodia, Sishodia PLLC, 330 East 38th Street, 23P, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258022

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SOLASTA JUPITER LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 12/01/20. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 11/18/20. 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 Seiden & Schein, P.C. 570 Lexington Avenue, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257827

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

SRNI REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/04/20. 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, 54-24 73rd Place, Maspeth, NY 11378. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258078

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STELLA SAL TEXAS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/15/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Salvatore Campisi, 1831 Decatur Street, Ridgewood, NY 11385. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-259001

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THREE TAILS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/16/20. 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, 4709 30th Street, Unit 401, Long Island City, NY 11101. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257580

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TIXEPLAN, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/11/20. 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, 246-32 54th Avenue, Douglaston, NY 11362. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258748

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Bethlehem's Most Borrowed 2020

As the coronavirus pandemic turned the world upside down, borrowing habits at Bethlehem Public Library shifted to reflect a new reality. Last spring, with our doors closed and curbside pickup not yet available, demand and use of our digital materials understandably skyrocketed, and we quickly added additional resources, such as the new on-demand service Hoopla, to cut down on wait times.

Even as we are able to bring back physical checkouts, use of our digital services remains strong, showing an increase of more than 38 percent over the past year.

And yet with all of the changes in how we get library items to our patrons, one thing remains constant: Bethlehem loves to borrow.

And what did you love borrowing in 2020? Read on for some of Bethlehem Public Library's most-loved loans of the past year.

When it comes to physical books, the most borrowed novel of 2020



was the sweeping family saga "The Dutch House" by Ann Patchett. A very close second was last year's top novel "Where the Crawdads Sing" by Delia Owens. In non-fiction, these three titles rose to the top: "Too Much and Never Enough: How My Family Created the World's Most Dangerous Man" by Mary Trump; "Educated: A Memoir" by Tara Westover; and "The Splendid and the Vile: A Saga of Churchill, Family and Defiance During the Blitz" by Erik Larson.

The buzz surrounding "Two Can Keep a Secret" by Karen McManus helped make this novel about small-town secrets and suspense the most borrowed YA title of 2020. For children's books, Dog Man was back with "Dog Man: Fetch-22" by Dav Pilkey taking the top spot.

Bethlehem's most borrowed DVD of 2020



was "Once Upon a Time in Hollywood," and gamers checked out the Nintendo Switch title "MarioKart 8" more than any other videogame title.

Some of our Library of Things items were taken out of circulation in 2020 as a pandemic precaution, but those that did go out

the door most frequently – laptop computers and WiFi hotspots – reflected the need in our community for digital access as work, school and many aspects of daily life went online.

When it comes to e-books, our top borrows reflect similar trends as the physical books with

"Where the Crawdads Sing" and "The Dutch House" once again rising to the top for fiction and "Educated: A Memoir" coming in first for non-fiction. In a departure from its physical counterpart, "The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes" by Suzanne Collins was the most-borrowed digital YA title. "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" by J.K. Rowling had the most checkouts for children's e-books and was also the most-borrowed digital audiobook.

Digital magazines, available through OverDrive and Flipster, were a popular distraction in 2020, with People, US Weekly and The New Yorker the most popular of all among Bethlehem patrons.

The library's streaming video services through Hoopla, Kanopy and OverDrive made high-quality shows and films available without the need to venture from the comfort and safety of home. Most-streamed in 2020 was

"Stash Short Film Festival: Comedy" (everyone needed a laugh) and "Force Majeure," both available through Kanopy. Topping off the children's streaming titles was the ever-popular "Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus."

While we don't know what the next year will bring, one thing remains certain: Our borrowers know what they love, and we can't wait to see what tops the list in 2021.

To check out one of these most-borrowed titles for yourself, visit www.bethlehempublib.org and search the catalog or click on the eContent button on the homepage to download or stream digital content.

Holiday Hours

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— Kristen Roberts

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may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 101 Hancock Street, Brooklyn, NY 11216. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. C-257534

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VEGA'S SUPERIOR FLOORING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/12/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the

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LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Seymour J. Weinberg CPA, 2003 East 21st Street, Brooklyn, NY 11229. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-256798

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WHITE LODGE STUDIO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on

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WITHERSPOON PARTNERS-1492, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/08/20. 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 Bill Martin, 10 Princeton Av-

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enue, P.O. Box 228, Rocky Hill, NJ 08553. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-258225

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION
YAYA AND MIMO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/24/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY

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shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Wexler & Kaufman PLLC, One Penn Plaza, Suite 3406, New York, NY 10119. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257577

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION
ZIEL DANCE THEATER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/20/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designat-

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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, 232 Covert Street, Suite #2, Brooklyn, NY 11207. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-257507

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Chip away at the norms

If this mess of a year has provided us anything, it is the time to question our perspective on everything.

Our preview of this year's top headlines attempts to encapsulate a year in which normal has been redefined. Take the pictures from last December's First Night. Uncovered faces with strangers standing side-by-side is now a jarring sight. Spying a smiling face as someone walks by is something of the past. But, that's a superficial observation of a year that has demanded of us to rethink social behaviors, both for health and social justice.

The demand — the need — for social reform may have never been louder than it has been in 2020. This pandemic that has held a tight grip upon our everyday lives may provided some pressure to the cause. The need for equity has been voiced for generations, but not everyone has listened. With most of the nation responsibly sequestering themselves to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, seeing and reviewing the details involving George Floyd's death in May sparked something substantial. It propelled a movement that was already in motion into something that resulted in 11,000 people demonstrating peacefully in Troy — and just as

poignant, another 1,500 people taking a knee for 7 minutes and 46 seconds in Delmar's Four Corners. It's a national conversation that still needs to continue. More importantly, positive change needs to result from that conversation.

Those conversations happen right now in various communities as they are tasked with instituting change within their respective police departments. The norms of law enforcement, too, are questioned. Residents attend online forums to openly discuss their experiences and feelings as the group investigates the roots behind the practices of police officers. Come to find, the simple question as to why a school resource officer carries a weapon while on campus is not so easily answered. Watching the Town of Bethlehem host its police reform forums online is an impressive display of people partaking in civil discourse while remaining compassionate and sympathetic to one another.

The norms associated with our school children

is also in flux. As we walk into January, many of our children have yet to physically meet their teachers. The quality of their class engagement is measured by their bandwidth and a functioning computer. Elementary children, as resilient and imaginative as they are, have

in education, though she is more apt to describe herself as "employed grandmother of five." Her perspective is no longer skewed by the prism of the academic world. That's also not to say that her insight ever was just one-sided. But, as she continues to speak with educators today, she has apparently fielded many concerns as to what pitfalls they will stumble upon once children return to school. What kind of divides will there be between those who excel and those who lack initiative. With stories of students not attending virtual learning — more than half were truant this spring, according to a New York Times article — how is anyone going to quantify the quality of our children's education during this pandemic?

Snyder said you can't. Don't do it. You're missing the boat in terms of the unique experience in which this generation of learners have gone through in 2020. It's not so much that they may not meet academic thresholds established before COVID. They won't.

"I sincerely plead with my colleagues, to surrender

the artificial constructs that measure achievement and greet the children where they are, not where we think they 'should be,'" wrote Snyder on Facebook. Her online essay has been shared more than 3,000 times since she wrote it on December 6. "Greet them with art supplies and writing materials, and music and dance and so many other avenues to help them express what has happened to them in their lives during this horrific year. Greet them with stories and books that will help them make sense of an upside-down world. They missed you. They did not miss the test prep. They did not miss the worksheets. They did not miss the reading groups. They did not miss the homework. They missed you."

This year has been a time to chip away at the norms we've been so comfortable with. It's not an easy process. But, what we often find is, you need to tear things down before you can build them back stronger. 2020 tore us all down. 2021 holds the promise of building ourselves back up, stronger. Do it with compassion, sympathy and an open mind.

— Michael Hallisey,
Managing Editor



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College conversation

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at 4 p.m. – “The Explorer,” by Katherine Rundell

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Holiday Hours

In observance of the Christmas Holidays, the Library will close at 7 p.m, Wednesday, Dec. 23. The Library will re-open at 9:30 a.m., on Monday, Dec. 28.

In observance of the New Year, the Library will close at 1p.m., Thursday, Dec. 31. The Library will re-open at 10 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 2.

— Lynn Kohler

Jan. Book Discussion Dates

Books & Beyond – Wednesday, Jan. 20 at 11a.m. – “Long Flight Home,” by Alan Hlad

Fiction Book Discussion – Wednesday, Jan. 6 at 7 p.m.; “Long Flight Home,” by Alan Hlad

Nonfiction Book Discussion – Monday, Jan. 11 at 7 p.m.; “Driving While Black,” by Gretchen Sorin

Middle School Book Club – Thursday, Jan. 28,

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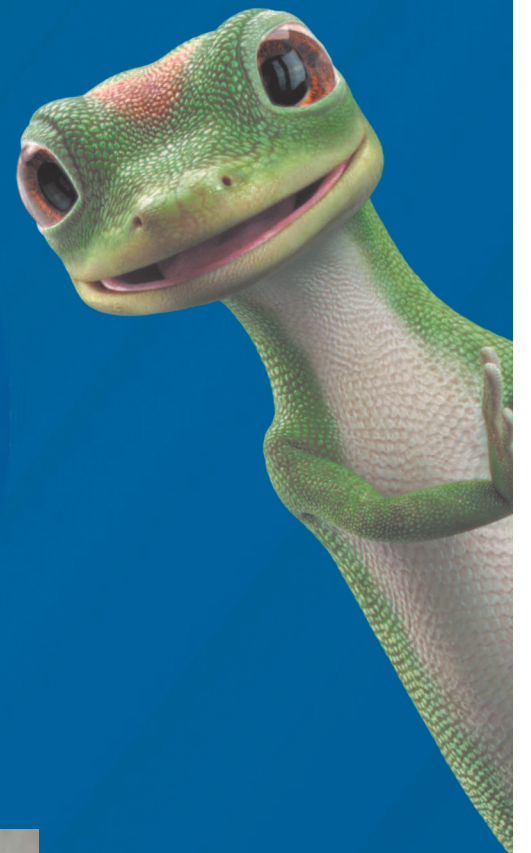
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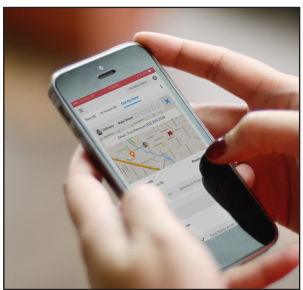
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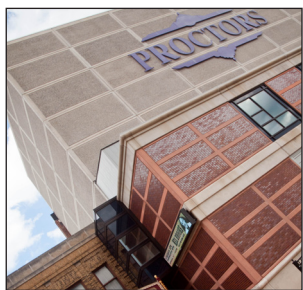
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YEAR IN REVIEW

12 notable moments from 2020

Notable live music moments that *kinda* shaped 2020

By **MIKE STAMPALIA**
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In a normal year, this would be when all the “Top Ten Shows of 2020” lists would be coming out, to be compared and argued over. With Covid cutting that short in mid-March, it didn’t really seem appropriate to take that approach this year. Rather, what I offer below are twelve notable Live Music moments from around Nippertown. In aggregate, they tell a story of Covid, and how the local music scene reacted to it.

UPH opens

February 29: Rosanne Cash at the grand opening of Universal Preservation Hall. Perhaps nothing encapsulates the Covid impact better than UPH. A spectacular, successful opening for the area’s newest venue, followed by its forced shuttering a couple weeks later. By summer, they were creatively hosting a Rock & Pinball exhibit, but it was obviously not what they expected their first year to be like.

Lena keeps you home

March 14: Caffè Lena launches “Stay Home Sessions.” Caffè Lena

By July, both the Jericho and the Malta drive-ins had started hosting “drive-up” live shows, most of the time paired with a similarly themed movie. I went to a couple of these, and they are great fun. I see no reason these couldn’t continue next year, when (hopefully) we can all crowd around the stage again like normal.

hardly missed a beat in figuring out how to respond to Covid. By March 14, they were broadcasting live acts into your living room, and continue to do so as we speak. Having this national treasure (and non-profit) in Nippertown has really paid off. These shows have really helped keep people sane.

Back on, Back off

April 5: The Eddies that weren’t. The Eddies are essentially the local music Grammys. In only its second year, they were originally scheduled to be held April 5 at Proctors. This was then delayed to December 6 at UPH, before finally being pushed out to an as-yet-to-be determined date in 2021. Too bad...it looked to be a good show.



Jocelyn and Chris Arndt played a rare live show at The Jericho in July. Michael Hallisey / TheSpot518



Music parade

May 21: Caffè Lena’s Birthday Parade. This was really the first event that figured out how to safely present some live music during Covid lockdown. Three bands on the back of flatbeds, rolling through the streets of Saratoga at lunch hour. I know more than a few people who made a point to drive up, just to hear a few minutes of live music.

Window Sessions

May 29: The Window Sessions at Lark Hall. Similar to UPH, what to do when you’re just about to open up your new venue to the world, and Covid shuts you down? In the case of Lark Hall, they opened up their windows (literally) and played the music out to the world. A much needed breath of fresh air to the

Lark Street neighborhood.

Music and a movie

July through the summer: Live music and a drive-in movie. By July, both the Jericho and the Malta drive-ins had started hosting “drive-up” live shows, most of the time paired with a similarly themed movie. I went to a couple of these, and they are great fun. I see no reason these couldn’t continue next year, when (hopefully) we can all crowd around the stage again like normal.

The Linda streams

July 13: Motorbike kicks off the “Open for Take-Out” series at the Linda. Following in the footsteps of Caffè Lena, The Linda began its own weekly series

of livestreamed concerts on Mondays. This excellent series continues to this day.

The Low Beat

September 14: The Low Beat closes. This one hurt the most. Howard Glassman announced he would not be reopening, and September 14 was the last day patrons could stop by and take some memorabilia home with them. The Deadbeats will go down as the last act to play there on March 9. For the past several years, the Low Beat was the rock and roll heart of Albany. It will be sorely missed.

Supper Club

October 9: Girl Blue performs at the Hollow’s first “Supper Club”. Covid restrictions limited crowd sizes and advertising, so the Hollow and Guthrie/

Bell got creative and came up with “The Supper Club” series. An intimate show paired with a delicious dinner, limited to only 30 socially distanced patrons. The weekly series was very well received, but sadly had to be halted by mid November due to increased infection rates.

Skyloft closes

October 26: Skyloft closes. In the end, the sister location to Daryl’s House down in Pawling didn’t make it a year. But man, they had a bright, brief run. Very aggressively booked out of the gate, they won over many dedicated patrons quickly. And so went the only good reason to go to the mall.

Chrome telethon

November 1: “There’s No Place like Chrome” telethon. Owner Darla Cherry had previously announced the Waterford venue for sale due to Covid-related financial hardships. After a large number of patrons responded, she decided instead to stage an all day telethon to try to raise funds to stay open. Whether or not that pans out long term still remains to be seen.

November 23: Goodbye, Hal Ketchum. Locally-born-and-raised country legend (and Eddies Hall-of-Famer) Hal Ketchum died.

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'Beating the check' hurts eateries

Area restaurants hit hard by fraudulent GrubHub orders

ALBANY — Already struggling with the high commission fees charged by third-party delivery services like GrubHub, DoorDash and Uber Eats, area restaurants are now forced to deal with a disturbing new trend - fraudulent GrubHub orders.

Dishonest customers, having become wise to GrubHub's no questions asked refund policies, have begun calling GrubHub seeking a refund and claiming to have not received their delivery, or a portion of it.

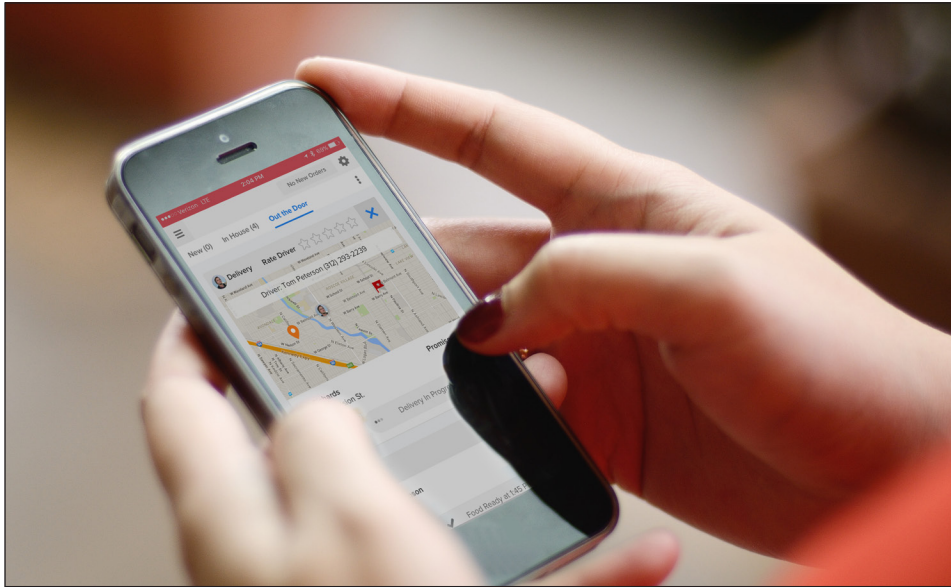
In one of the most extreme cases a customer on Manning Boulevard in Albany was caught having placed orders with multiple establishments throughout

"If you received the food, pay for it. It's that simple."

— Craig D. Apple, Albany County Sheriff

the City of Albany over multiple nights, using different accounts and names. In each case, once the driver picked up the food and drinks, they would text the GrubHub driver requesting that they change the delivery address at the last minute. Sometime after the restaurant closed the customer would then contact GrubHub and request a refund claiming to have never received their order.

"The COVID pandemic has brought out the best and the worst in people," said Savoy Taproom



GrubHub

owner Jason Pierce. "Unfortunately what we're dealing with here is a small number of dishonest individuals that think nothing of kicking someone while they're down, for their own benefit. To them it's free food."

The founder of Feed Albany, a local not-for-profit organization created at the onset of the COVID pandemic to provide free meals to at-risk and in-need individuals throughout the region, Pierce recognizes that

access to food is a basic need that many in the region are struggling with.

"Through Feed Albany we've provided in excess of 200,000 free meals to people that need them," said Pierce. "If people are in need of food, there are

places to go and ways to get it without stealing from area restaurants."

Those who commit these crimes may not be aware that they are breaking the law and Albany County Sheriff Craig Apple wants them to know that his department is ready and willing to prosecute those that are knowingly targeting already struggling area businesses.

"Placing an order on GrubHub with the knowledge that you're going to redirect the order to another address and claim not to have received it, or placing an order, receiving the product and then falsely requesting and receiving a refund, it's a crime and the more you do it the more severe the crime gets," said Albany County Sheriff Craig D. Apple. "If you received the food, pay for it. It's that simple."

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- One's life history
- "Rule, Britannia" composer
- Doubles
- Jacob __, American journalist
- House pet
- S. African river
- Broad sashes
- Establish as a foundation
- KGB double agent Aldrich __
- Part of a book
- Taxi
- Pancakes made from buckwheat flour
- Train group (abbr.)
- Frames per second
- Have surgery
- Formal withdrawal from a federation
- Guitarist sounds
- Greek war god
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- Helps escape

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- Breakfast dish
- Defunct European currency
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- Part of a purse
- Self-contained units
- Boxing's GOAT
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- U. of Miami's mascot is one
- Floating ice
- Low, marshy land
- Seldom
- Lyric poems
- Law enforcement agency (abbr.)
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■ FEATURE

Our stages saved?

Local stages see a glimmer of hope with Washington's latest pandemic relief package on the way

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**
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Local venues see a glimmer of hope now that President Donald Trump signed a bipartisan pandemic relief package.

Theatres and music halls across the country have lost up to 80 percent of expected revenue as they kept doors shut through nearly 10 months of the COVID-19 pandemic. Stages have remained silent since Gov. Andrew Cuomo ordered statewide shutdowns in mid-March. That, too, is performances houses cut or furloughed nearly their entire staffs.

Congress passed a \$900 billion pandemic relief package that featured several changes to the Paycheck Protection Program, and created a "second draw" PPP for small businesses who exhausted their initial loan.

Congress also made changes to other programs – including Economic Injury Disaster Loans, the Employee Retention Tax Credit, a Venue Grant program and SBA loan programs – that will benefit small businesses. Other changes impact eligibility for initial PPP loans, the loan forgiveness process and the tax treatment of PPP loans.

The proposed law would create a \$15 billion grant program eligible live venue operators, promoters, theatrical producers, live performing arts organization operators, museum operators, and talent representatives who have experienced at least a 25 percent drop in revenue.

Grants are equal to the lesser of \$10 million or 45 percent of gross earned revenue in 2019. Grants must be used for specified expenses such as

"This may be the lift we need to get to a reopening."

— Philip Morris, Proctors CEO

payroll costs, rent, utilities, and personal protective equipment.

"It's not quite a light, more like a reflection," said Jon Elbaum, executive director of Troy Savings Bank Music Hall. The storied performance house has kept the lights on, providing educational programs and a stage for musical acts in need of a place to record. Artists like local duo The Sea, The Sea used the stage recently to record. But, Elbaum estimates Troy Music Hall has lost 80 percent of its revenue this year. He'll still welcome help from Washington.

He's not alone.

"First, the entire bill of support is a welcome relief for the country and the community," Proctors CEO Philip Morris said in a statement. 2020 was to be a banner year for a Proctors Collaborative that witnessed the long-awaited opening of Universal Preservation Hall and the anticipated reopening of a relocated Capital Repertory Theatre.

The virus' clampdown has choked the economy, from the businesses dependent upon ticket sales to the government bodies who rely on the tax collected from them.

New York's municipalities collected nearly \$17 billion in sales tax revenue last year. That amounts to 9.7 percent

of all local government revenue, according to a comprehensive report on local sales tax released in October by State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli.

"COVID-19 has decimated local sales tax revenue this year, blowing holes in the budgets of municipalities across New York State," DiNapoli said. "As we work to rebuild our economy, we must also help repair the damage that has already been inflicted."

The state is facing an estimated \$14.5 billion revenue shortfall. That figure was also reported in October, despite the governor's tiered reopening plan that helped industries such as construction and retail limp back to life. But, while shopping malls were allowed to welcome shoppers back in, theatres have remained closed since St. Patrick's Day weekend.

"Just as our Main Street small businesses can't rebuild alone, our local governments don't have the means to do this themselves. Direct aid from the federal government is needed to help our communities recover," said DiNapoli.

Motion picture theatre operators, too, would be eligible to receive aid, though likely not the large chains like Regal. Regal's parent company, British-based Cineworld, cited \$1.6 billion in losses when it closed more than 500 of its houses in October. In New York, cinema houses were lumped in with theatres and left closed while other industries reopened. That led Cineworld to throw barbs towards Cuomo's shutdown practices despite the industry's willingness to reopen at reduced capacity.

The National Association of Theater Owners of New York State lobbied over the summer its plan to bring back customers. Crowds reduced by half, along with improved air flow systems and cleaning regimens that resembled those of opened



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Save our Stages

shopping malls. Once Regal closed its doors, Albany allowed New York movie theaters to open.

But, reduced capacities don't work with play houses and live music venues. Many of the productions that cross the stages at Proctors, the Palace and Troy Music Hall depend on selling 50 to 90 percent of available seats.

"Proctors will only survive in a vibrant

economy once the fear of COVID has passed. The section aimed at live entertainment is an acknowledgment of the disastrous impact COVID and its related closures has meant for artists, actors, designers, stagehands and facilities like Proctors, theRep and UPH," Morris said. "This may be the lift we need to get to a reopening."

Prior to the pandemic,

Proctors boasted a \$25 million budget to cover its many stages. Those stages employed a collective staff of 200 employees who catered to 700,000 patrons each year. In March, when local leaders struggled with understanding the scope of the virus — Albany canceled its St. Patrick's Day parade while restaurants packed in revelers — local theatres closed their doors and cut or furloughed up to 90 percent of their staff.

Trump pushed the relief package back on Congress to make changes, including a raise to individual

stimulus payments from \$600 to \$2,000. Whether he will veto the bill entirely remains to be seen. The legislation's inclusion of a Save Our Stages Act both Elbaum and Morris lobbied for with U.S. Senator Charles E. Schumer leaves hope that help is coming soon.

Saratoga Performing Arts Center president and CEO Elizabeth Sobol said she was "enormously grateful" that the act passed Congress as she awaited more details.

"It will be a lifeline for one of the hardest hit industries and, as New Yorkers, we can all be proud and deeply appreciative of the support from our congressional leaders who helped shepherd through this critical legislation," Sobol said. "I came from the world of artist management and my former colleagues have been utterly devastated by the effects of COVID. Save Our Stages helps these amazing people who are essential to the functioning of the concert world. Today, I breathe a sigh of relief for them."



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ARIES - MAR 21/APR 20

Aries, it may take time to make a nutritional overhaul, especially if indulging in drinks and sweets has become habitual. Be patient with yourself and you'll be successful.

TAURUS - APR 21/MAY 21

Taurus, if you've been considering a move lately, you may find yourself putting the wheels in motion pretty soon. Begin to make a list of what you need to pull this off.

GEMINI - MAY 22/JUN 21

Direct communication does not always come easy to you, Gemini. Give it a try and convey your feelings to someone you love. Be honest and welcome the response.

CANCER - JUN 22/JUL 22

Cancer, even if you're feeling out of sync this week, you will manage to find someone who is marching along to a similar beat. This person can become a true friend.

LEO - JUL 23/AUG 23

Start to clean house, Leo. Avoid any distracting habits that might get in your way. You don't need anything to derail your positive plans for the future this week.

VIRGO - AUG 24/SEPT 22

Virgo, find a new muse and begin a creative project. There may be some obstacles along the way, but you will see creative endeavors through to completion.

LIBRA - SEPT 23/OCT 23

A former flame may try to heat things up again, Libra. If you're single, you may be interested. But steer clear of this person if you're attached because it spells trouble.

SCORPIO - OCT 24/NOV 22

Scorpio, embrace healthy debate and don't try to bowl anyone over with your big ideas. Afford others their own right to have an opinion, even if it differs from your own.

SAGITTARIUS - NOV 23/DEC 21

You have learned many lessons about financial responsibility, Sagittarius. When an item catches your eye, it might be very tempting to indulge. Stay the course.

CAPRICORN - DEC 22/JAN 20

Personal affairs often make you a closed book, Capricorn. But you may have to spill a few secrets to a trusted friend to get the advice you need right now.

AQUARIUS - JAN 21/FEB 18

Clean up any unresolved parts of your life before the year draws to a close, Aquarius. It's a large undertaking, but you have the means and the support to get it done.

PISCES - FEB 19/MAR 20

Cease to compromise on your core values, Pisces. You do not have to sway to the desires of others. Stand your ground on important issues.

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LIFESTYLE

Explore your travel options, or don't

Daily life was upended in March of 2020, when most of the world was first introduced to the novel coronavirus COVID-19. People from all walks of life were adversely affected by the pandemic, and certain industries, including travel and tourism, had an especially difficult time as the pandemic wore on.

Tourism greatly affected

Travel was largely restricted in early 2020, with

some countries prohibiting tourism from travelers from critically impacted areas. As the second wave of the virus arrived in late 2020, many nations returned to full or partial lockdowns to combat virus transmission, further hurting the travel and tourism industry.

According to the World Travel & Tourism Council, the tourism industry accounted for 330 million jobs in 2019. Estimates now suggest that approximately 121 million of those jobs have been eliminated due to the pandemic. Countries whose economies relied

primarily on tourism either continued to stay open to travelers or have reopened to make ends meet.

Travel considerations

When the weather becomes colder and inhospitable, people often seek out warmer climates. Though travel figures to decrease dramatically in the winter of 2020-21, there may be some tourists who are willing to leave home for the promise of beaches and sunny skies. As of December 2020, Mexico

had no entry restrictions for Americans, apart from limiting land-border crossings. Visitors can get a temperature check on arrival and will be schooled in basic information about social distancing. John Spence, president of the tour company Scott Dunn USA, says Kenya is a relatively safe East African destination to visit, and the country has been transparent about its reopening conditions. Costa Rica and Caribbean islands have been cautiously reopening to tourists, starting with nations

reporting lower infection levels. Anyone who chooses to travel is strongly urged to quarantine for at least 14 days upon returning home.

Home modifications

Individuals who prefer to stay close to home may want to invest their vacation dollars into home renovations that can simulate getting away.

Invest in a hot tub. You may not be able to swim outdoors in the winter, but sitting in a hot tub can chase away the chill and

prove very relaxing.

- Renovate a bathroom. Create a spa resort experience with a bathroom overhaul that includes multi-jet shower heads, towel warmers and ultra-plush linens.

- Join a gym or indoor pool club. A chance to swim even when it is cold outside can be refreshing and make for great exercise.

It's the time of year to escape the cold, and people are weighing their options as they try to decide if they will travel or stay home this winter.

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MUSIC REVIEW

SIRSY livens up the holidays

By KAITLIN LEMBO
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Green screens take on a whole new meaning when SIRSY uses them.

The married musician aficionados have been using live streams to supplement their incomes since the pandemic first hit in March. Melanie Krahmer, the duo's lead singer, drummer and a million-other-instruments player, is quite an act alone, only to be infinitely more powerful with Richard

Libutti, SIRSY's guitarist and resident pedal worker.

To watch the stream, visit <https://bit.ly/2WGbr3A>.

During the 67-minute show, Libutti and Krahmer delivered oodles of holly-jolly holiday cheer with fun takes on Christmas tunes and quite a few cheesy (and sardonic) dad jokes.

How many lead singers does it take to change a lightbulb? One. They stand there and hold the lightbulb as the world revolves around

them.

What do you call a guitarist with a mortgage? An optimist.

What do you call the three people playing in a band with the drummer? Musicians.

Krahmer and Libutti are known for their dynamic. The couple is not afraid to take a few well-intended shots at one another. As they switched instruments and changed the green screen, which featured at least four festive

backgrounds, Krahmer joked about turning off her snare drum and Libutti tried to remember which pedal turned the Rudolph animation on.

I was particularly impressed with SIRSY's rendition of "You're A Mean One, Mr. Grinch," the classic tune from "How The Grinch Stole Christmas." I've found in the past that some take the song too seriously, or the shenanigans that ensue overpower the song.

Krahmer's voice is extremely strong, almost visceral at times, and she used it well on the lyrics that benefit from such emphasis. Libutti also brought his game, shredding a solo with a drumstick (yes, you read that right) which made my jaw drop. As Krahmer handed him the drumstick before pulling out one of her backups, both flashed a look of mischief; while I would never think to play a guitar solo with the use of a drumstick and some pedals, Libutti executed it

brilliantly and reaffirmed how much of an equal he and Krahmer are, in both talent and life.

I also enjoyed the "smoky jazz club" version of "Santa Baby," a haughty, tongue-in-cheek nod to the likes of Eartha Kitt's hit rendition. Krahmer and Libutti used technology to their benefit here, cloning themselves so it was a group of four people. While Libutti rocked a couple of sweaters and let his guitars do the talking,

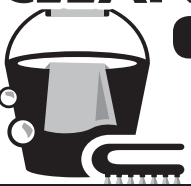
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How adults can take active roles in their health care

Adults play a significant role in their own health care. Adults focused on getting fit may visit various fitness facilities before signing up for a membership, and individuals who want to improve their diets may spend countless hours poring over healthy recipes and the latest trends in nutrition. Such research pays dividends, and the same commitment can be applied to choosing the right health care services.

Adults who are enrolled in employer-sponsored health insurance plans may feel as though their options are limited in regard to their health care services. However, there are many



ways for patients to get more out of their health care plans.

- Shop around for a primary care physician. It's easy to be overwhelmed when perusing lists of in-network primary care

physicians provided by insurance companies. Such lists can seem endless and it can be hard to distinguish one physician from another. Adults in need of new primary care physicians can ask neighbors or family

and friends who live nearby for recommendations. It's important to put the time in when choosing a primary care physician, as people who are comfortable with their physicians are more likely to schedule annual

wellness visits or book appointments when they aren't feeling well. Such visits can be life-saving.

- Schedule annual wellness visits. Annual wellness visits are very important, even for health-conscious individuals who are not experiencing any signs of illness or injury. Regular checkups and screenings can uncover health problems even when no symptoms are present, potentially saving patients' lives. For example, Hackensack Meridian Health reports that mammograms have reduced breast cancer mortality in the United States by 40 percent since 1990. Many insurance providers cover annual physicals at no cost to the patient, and screenings can catch diseases early when they're at their most treatable and treatment is less expensive and less time-consuming.

- Be a prepared patient. Prepare a list of questions prior to a scheduled doctor's appointment. Jot questions down as they come to you in the weeks leading up to the appointment and don't hesitate to ask questions during the visit.

- Be open and honest with your physician. Concealing behaviors from your physician will negate some of the benefits of visiting the doctor. For example, if you live a largely sedentary lifestyle but tell your doctor you're physically active, he or she won't offer advice on how to make exercise a bigger part of your life. Being open and honest with a physician enables the doctor to give the best medical advice.

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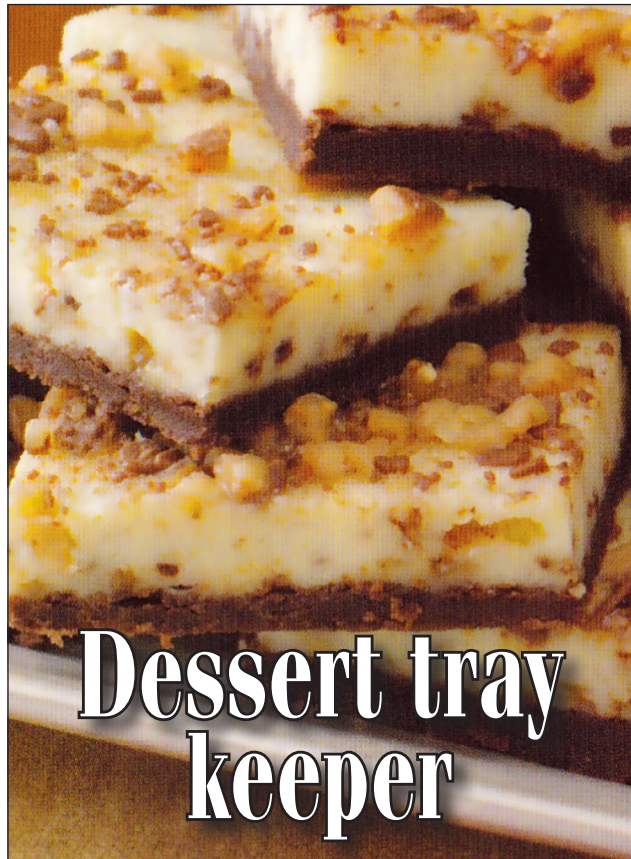
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From cookies and pies to brittles and fudge, there's no shortage of sweet treats come the holiday season. But who's recipe collection couldn't benefit from another delicious addition? That's just what can be found in "Toffee Cheesecake Bars" from "Taste of Home Healthy Cooking Cookbook" (RDA Enthusiast Brands) by the Taste of Home/Reader's Digest Kitchens.

Toffee Cheesecake Bars

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- 1 cup all-purpose flour
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- 1/2 cup cold butter

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- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1-1/4 cups milk chocolate English toffee bits, divided

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2. In a large bowl, beat cream cheese until fluffy. Add the milk, eggs and vanilla; beat until smooth. Stir in 3/4 cup toffee bits. Pour over crust. Bake 18 to 22 minutes longer or until center is almost set.

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