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# Power dynamic

The accusations illustrated in the AG report against Gov. Cuomo highlights a weakness to state sexual harassment policies now in place

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**A**fter nearly five months, independent investigators concluded that Gov. Andrew Cuomo sexually harassed multiple women, including groping, kissing, hugging and making inappropriate comments.

The investigators appointed by New York Attorney General Letitia James released their report into allegations of sexual harassment on Tuesday, Aug. 3.

To at least one expert, the accusations against the governor illustrate a “power dynamic” that challenges investigators and human resource departments to stand up for victims — even if the accused is their boss.

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■ POLICE, FIRE and EMERGENCY CALLS

# Catalytic converters ripped from cars

## Inmate arrested after county jail escape

**COLONIE** — An inmate scaled two fences and escaped from the Albany County jail on Tuesday, Aug. 3.

The freedom of Pharaoh Mangroo, though, was short lived and the 25-year-old was arrested at Shaker Ridge Country Club, located about a mile from the jail.

Colonie police arrested Mangroo on April 12 on criminal contempt, a felony, as well criminal possession of a weapon, criminal mischief and menacing, each misdemeanors.

He was released pending court action. Additionally, he allegedly committed an assault in the state of New Jersey, according to Albany County Sheriff Craig D. Apple. During that crime, Apple said he “created an extreme indifference to human life and caused serious bodily injury to another person.”

Mangroo fled New Jersey before he was arrested by the U.S. Marshall’s in the Town of Colonie where he was remanded to the county jail on July 19.

In addition to pending charges, Mangroo is charged with the felony of escape.

He was treated at Albany Medical Center Hospital for minor injuries and lacerations suffered from the razor wire installed on the top of the fence surrounding the jail.

— Jim Franco

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**DELMAR** — The Bethlehem Police Department is investigating at least two incidents involving the theft of catalytic converters from motor vehicles.

Two residents were enjoying a morning at the dog park off neighboring the CDTA Park and Ride parking lot off of the Delmar Bypass on Sunday, Aug. 2. The incident happened around 11:30 a.m., where the victims reportedly observed two men near their cars before they each found their catalytic converters ripped from their cars.

“We had two incidents last week and one incident back in April of this year,” Bethlehem Police Cmdr. James Rexford shared in an email to *The Spotlight*. “My understanding is that these converters are worth hundreds of dollars if scrapped.”

According to JDPower.com, the average market value of a catalytic converter ranges between

\$800 and \$1,200. The value depends on both the vehicle’s make and model — the larger the engine, the more expensive the converter.

NPR recently reported a substantial increase in this type of thefts across the country. Thieves are attracted to the rare metals used to reduce air pollution from the car’s exhaust. The National Insurance Crime Bureau reports that there’s been a nearly ten-fold increase in thefts since 2018, with more than 14,000 reported being swiped in 2020.

Rhodium, one of the metals used inside catalytic converters, has been worth as much as \$28,000 an ounce.

## Albany man charged with unlawful surveillance

**GLENMONT** — An Albany man, alleged to have planted a recording device underneath the door of an area hotel room was, arrested by Bethlehem police on Friday, Aug. 6.

Bryan R. Taylor, 30, of Albany, was allegedly observed placing an image recording device underneath the door of one of the rooms at the Comfort Inn at 37 Rte 9W.

Bethlehem police reported to the hotel at approximately 2 a.m. Friday morning after someone called observing an employee planting the imaging device. Taylor, who is a night clerk at the hotel, was later identified. The recording device was allegedly placed before a room occupied by a female patron.

Taylor was processed on the charge of Unlawful Surveillance in the Second Degree, a Class E Felony, and issued an appearance ticket to return to court on Tuesday, Aug. 17.

Due to the nature of the incident, the Bethlehem Police Department ask that anyone who has stayed at this establishment, and thinks they may have been a victim, to call the Bethlehem Police Department at 518-439-9973.

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■ STATE

# Cuomo under pressure to resign office

Executive Assistant No. 1 files criminal complaint against Gov. Cuomo

By **JIM FRANCO**  
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**ALBANY** — The woman identified only as Executive Assistant No. 1 has filed a criminal complaint against Gov. Andrew Cuomo.

According to the bombshell report by Attorney General Letitia James, the governor “engaged in a pattern of inappropriate conduct” including: close and intimate hugs, kisses on her cheeks and lips and grabbing her legs and butt. The governor also repeatedly asked her about her personal life and whether or not she would ever cheat on her husband. On Nov. 16, the woman claims, the governor called her to his office for assistance on a rudimentary cell phone issue. He beckoned her into his office, slammed the door shut and he reached under her blouse and grabbed her breast.

After the incident was disclosed by the *Times Union*, which extensively quoted the accuser, the governor’s office said the matter was referred to the Albany Police Department.

The alleged victim has reportedly retained Albany attorney Brian Premo. Her identity has not been officially disclosed because of the nature of the complaint, but it is one of the worst kept secrets in Albany. According to the



Gov. Andrew Cuomo

## State Capital reacts to AG report

**ALBANY** — The reaction was swift, fierce and bipartisan.

Politicians on both sides of the aisle — from Washington to Albany — are calling on Gov. Andrew Cuomo to resign following the explosive report released Tuesday, Aug. 3, by state Attorney General Letitia James.

“Given the extremely disturbing findings presented in the attorney general’s final report, the governor is no longer fit to serve and for the good of the State of New York, he should immediately step down, allowing Lt. Governor Kathy Hochul to assume the role of acting governor. Beginning today, my colleagues and I in the state Assembly are convening to immediately begin addressing these findings and I will support action based on the facts presented to us, so that we may continue to effectively address the multiple crises facing the state at this time.”

— *State Assemblywoman Pat Faby (D-Albany)*

“Gov. Cuomo must resign immediately. The findings revealed by Attorney General Letitia James’ report confirm that Gov. Cuomo has repeatedly used his power to harass, abuse and objectify those around him. This is a tragic and disturbing conclusion to a months-long investigation, and it’s clear that the governor is unfit to lead.”

— *Albany County Minority Leader Legislator Frank Mauriello*

“Anyone who makes a sexual harassment claim deserves a fair process and to be treated with respect. The Attorney General’s findings come after a five-month thorough and independent investigation into the allegations against Gov. Andrew Cuomo. No one should feel unsafe or uncomfortable in their workplace. Today’s findings illustrate the importance of addressing toxic workplace environments. It is incumbent upon leaders to ensure that it does not persist when it is identified and the necessary actions are taken when it does.”

— *Albany County Legislative Democrats*

*New York Post*, Premo made the complaint with Sheriff Craig Apple as the top law enforcement officer in Albany County.

Apple told *The Post* he informed Albany County District Attorney David Soares of the complaint. If there is enough credible evidence found, the governor could be arrested. Soares said previously he has requested all the evidence gathered to compile the AG’s 168-page report, and invited any and all of the 11 women who have alleged a pattern of sexual harassment to talk to his investigators.

“We found Executive Assistant #1 to be credible both in demeanor and in the substance of her allegations. The experiences she had with the governor were difficult for her to recount, but she did so with care and seriousness,” according to the AG’s reports. “She testified about what she could recall with specificity and she credibly noted things that she did not recall. She did not overstate or seek to

exaggerate the allegations, but simply recounted the incidents she remembered.”

The governor, in an 85-page “position paper” disputing the AG’s report, said many of the allegations of inappropriate touching stem from his Italian heritage and his inappropriate questions as an effort to alleviate the stress of working in a high-pressure environment.

“The governor was stunned by her claim made for the first time in early March 2021 (after Lindsay Boylan and Charlotte Bennett’s claims were made public) that he groped her breast under her shirt and over her bra in his mansion office during a workday in November 2020,” according to the narrative. “This claim is false, as the governor has stated repeatedly and unequivocally. Ms. X retained a personal injury lawyer who contacted the Executive Chamber on March 8, 2021, claimed that the governor had groped her breast in his office during the workday and indicated he planned to file an administrative complaint on her behalf—a common precursor to filing a civil lawsuit for damages.”

The narrative claims Executive Assistant No. 1 was at the mansion that day for more than three hours and released a detailed account of how the governor spent the day. She has since said it was around that day and the governor’s phone records would tell when she was summoned to the mansion by one of the governor’s top assistants, Stephanie Benton.

At least four other DA’s around the state have requested more information from the AG about evidence that could lead to potential criminal charges.

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■ EDUCATION

# Schools waiting on health dept

New year less than a month away and state health dept seemingly punts virus mitigation to school districts

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ALBANY — Public schools have waited on the state Department of Health to lend guidance on how to structure its school days for September, and last week they kind of got their answer.

The first day of school is less than a month away, and local districts have been engaged with families to formulate bus schedules and facilitate health forms. Those emails often open

with the district expressing some uncertainty with pandemic-related protocols.

“With the end of the state disaster emergency on June 25, 2021, school districts are reestablished as the controlling entity for schools,” State Department of Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker shared in a statement on Thursday, Aug. 8. “Schools and school districts should develop plans to open in-person in the fall as safely as possible, and I recommend following guidance from the [Center for Disease Control] and local health departments.”

Gov. Andrew Cuomo’s executive orders in response to last year’s emerging pandemic were rescinded effective June 25, after the governor announced more than 20

million vaccinations were administered throughout the state. With more than 71 percent of New Yorker adults having received at least their first dose, the emergency powers were lifted.

That still hasn’t stopped local schools from asking for guidance.

“We are all eager to prepare for the upcoming school year,” wrote Ravana Coeymans Selkirk Superintendent Brian Bailey, a day after Zucker’s announcement. “All New York State schools have been waiting for directives from the Department of Health and the State Education Department in order to ensure that our reopening plans meet their rigorous expectations. As of today, they have issued no

## NYSED, State Library launch reading program

ALBANY — The state Department of Education and the State Library are partnering with 1,100 public libraries and neighborhood branches, schools, and other partners statewide to support and encourage participation in the 2021 Summer Reading at New York Libraries program.

The 2021 Summer Reading slogan is “Tails and Tales” and libraries

are hosting many fun programs and events around this year’s animal theme. Libraries across the state have reopened and will be offering a selection of exciting programming this summer. There will be special events, reading challenges, fun activities, and more throughout the summer months.

In addition to program support and resources, the State Library provides a fun, online app called READSquared that helps students and families track their favorite books during the summer and all year long. And, creative teens can enter the 2021 national Teen Video Challenge for a chance to win state and national recognition and a cash prize for creating a short video to promote libraries and Summer Reading.


Children, teens, and their families can find more information about the Summer Reading program and sign up by visiting their local public library’s website. Updated information, resources, and activities are also available on the Summer Reading at New York Libraries website

at [summerreadingnys.org/](http://summerreadingnys.org/).

## State awards \$24M for extended school day, programs

ALBANY — The state Department of Education awarded more than \$24 million in state-funded grants for extended school day and school violence prevention programs to 83 school districts and non-profit organizations across the state. The grants will be administered over a five-year period, from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2026.

Eligible programs provide support to students through extended school day activities and/or school safety programs which promote violence prevention. Extended school day programs will increase student achievement, provide extracurricular enrichment activities, and assist in preventing school violence. School violence prevention activities include comprehensive school-based intervention models that reduce violence and improve school safety.



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directives.”

Bailey, however, did assure families in his school district that RCS and 23 other schools throughout the Capital District had been working together to create a reopening plan. Area schools have adapted recent recommendations from the CDC and state Education Department.

“Without exception,” he stated, “the number one priority will continue to be student and staff safety.”

In March, The CDC revised its guidelines that reduced social distancing requirements from 6 to 3 feet. It was a quick response to President Joe Biden, who mandated a children return back to the classroom next year. A few weeks later, the state Department of Health issued a 24-page report suggesting schools make changes, removing physical barriers and the need for grouping students into cohorts. But masks would continue to be required.

The state’s revised guidelines had also appeared to place responsibility upon individual districts. For example, the health department said school districts need to meet with

the community before reducing social distancing requirements, and that schools may still need to use cohorts depending on area infection numbers.

The number of new cases in the Capital District has steadily increased from a low seven-day rolling average of 1.67 per 100,000 on Wednesday, June 23 to 15.42 on Thursday, Aug. 5. The figure still remains lower than the 83.59 rate reached in January.

A political tug-of-war has played out through national headlines over virus mitigation. Concerns have been raised over the delta variant and potential breakthrough cases among those fully vaccinated.

Zucker’s statement comes near the end of a week in which area employers, including Albany Medical Center, said they would require employees be vaccinated against COVID-19. New York State United Teachers, a statewide union with more than 600,000 members in education, human services and health care, said they don’t support forcing teachers to be vaccinated.

“We have advocated

since the beginning of the year that any educator who wants a vaccine should have easy access to one,” the union shared in a statement on Monday, Aug. 2, adding that it would encourage more vaccinations and testing within the community. “But it’s critical that districts come up with plans to make testing available on-site and at no cost. What we have not supported is a vaccine mandate.”

Students however are required to receive a series of vaccinations prior to attending school or daycare. They include vaccines against diphtheria, tetanus pertussis, hepatitis b, measles, mumps, rubella, polio, varicella and meningococcal conjugate vaccine. These vaccinations are fully approved by the Federal Drug and Food Administration. None of the three COVID-19 vaccinations have been fully approved by the F.D.A.

According to an article published by the *New York Times* last week, the F.D.A. anticipates it will approve the Pfizer vaccine by next month.

## EDUCATION

### Wolf appointed new GHS assistant principal

**GUILDERLAND** — Steve Wolf was named assistant principal of Guilderland High School at the GCSD Board of Education meeting on Tuesday, July 27.

Currently a special education teacher at Farnsworth Middle School, Wolf has spent his entire professional career at GCSD, beginning in the 2008-09 school year. In addition to teaching special education, he has led the Extended School Year program at Guilderland Elementary School for the past three years. Prior to that, he spent five years as a teacher for the ESY program.

While he found his role as a special education teacher tremendously rewarding, Wolf is looking forward to making an impact on a larger group of students. “I’m excited to be able to deepen the relationships I developed with students at FMS while supporting the great work that is happening at GHS.”

Wolf’s appointment fills an open position left vacant after the departure of Amy Hawrylchak in January. He will begin his new role on Monday, Aug. 16.

Wolf attended the University at Albany where he earned a bachelor’s degree in computer science and applied mathematics, and a dual master’s degree

in special education and literacy. He completed his School Building Leader and School District Leader certifications at New York Institute of Technology.

A native of Latham, Wolf resides in Guilderland.

### Register to ride

**DELMAR** — Bethlehem Central is asking district families to verify their transportation choice for the upcoming school year before schedules and stops are posted on Monday, Aug. 30.

School administrators remind families that if their child is eligible for transportation, they will need to verify their transportation choice in Aspen as soon as possible.

The Bethlehem Central School District provides transportation to and from schools for all elementary and middle school students who live more than a half mile from the school. The district also buses high school students who live more than a mile from the school.

All families whose students were eligible for transportation last year, or who are new to the district and are eligible for transportation, received a Bus Registration Form by email.

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**BUSINESS**



**Pathway to the future**

The Spinney at Van Dyke presented plans for Phases 3 and 4 of its proposed 118-unit expansion of its "50-and-better" housing community to the Bethlehem Planning Board on Wednesday, Aug. 4. There are also four units proposed in one guest cottages. The proposal also includes a maintenance building. The property management group plans to expand further down Van Dyke Road towards the historic Bradt Oliver House, which was previously renovated and is currently used as office space.

Provided photo

**SPHP named 'Best Hospital' by U.S. News**

ALBANY — St. Peter's Health Partners' three hospitals – St. Peter's Hospital, Samaritan Hospital, and Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital – have each been recognized as a Best Hospital for 2021-22 by U.S. News & World Report.

St. Peter's Hospital was named No. 1 in the Capital Region for the eighth year in a row; Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital was recognized as a nationally ranked rehab hospital.

For the 2021-22 rankings and ratings, U.S. News evaluated nearly 5,000 hospitals nationwide on key indicators of patient care, specifically looking at 15 specialties and 17 procedures and conditions. In the 15 specialty areas, only 175 hospitals were ranked in at least one specialty.

St. Peter's Hospital was ranked 12th among more than 200 hospitals in New York state, and the highest in both the Capital Region and in northeastern New York. It was also recognized as high-performing in two adult specialties and 14 procedures/conditions: colon cancer; lung

cancer; heart failure; aortic valve surgery; heart bypass surgery; transcatheter aortic valve surgery (TAVR); heart attack; diabetes; colon cancer; kidney failure; stroke; knee replacement; hip replacement; COPD; pneumonia.

Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital was nationally ranked at 46th out of more than 4,100 inpatient rehab facilities nationwide on U.S. World's "Best Rehab Hospitals" list, and was the only rehabilitation hospital outside of the metropolitan centers of New York City, Boston, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh to make the list in New York state, New England, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. They were recognized for excellence in rehabilitation.

Samaritan Hospital was recognized as high performing in three procedures/conditions: heart failure; kidney failure; COPD.

It marks the eighth year in a row that St. Peter's Hospital has been named among the best hospitals in New York state. It was the first time that Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital made the list, which is normally dominated by hospitals in larger metropolitan areas.

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The annual Best Hospitals rankings and ratings, now in their 32nd year, are based on objective measures such as risk-adjusted survival and discharge-to-home rates, volume, and quality of nursing, among other care-related indicators.

St. Peter's Hospital, an affiliate of St. Peter's Health Partners, is the largest Catholic acute care community hospital in northeastern New York state. Located in Albany, New York, the hospital was founded in 1869 by the Religious Sisters of Mercy. St. Peter's offers a comprehensive range of inpatient and outpatient services and diverse outreach programs in the areas of women's and children's services, neonatal intensive care, rehabilitation, surgery, ambulatory care, outpatient medical imaging, and care for the elderly. For more information, please visit www.sphp.com.

— Courtney Weisberg

### Gerber named Division Chief of General Internal Medicine

ALBANY — Dr. Megan R. Gerber, M.D., MPH, has joined Albany Med as division chief of General Internal Medicine and

vice chair of the Department of Medicine for Faculty Development. She has also been appointed as an advising dean of Albany Medical College.

As an internal medicine physician, Gerber diagnoses and treats common medical problems and chronic illnesses in patients aged 18 years and older. She has a special interest in women's health and in trauma-informed care, which takes trauma and adverse childhood experiences into account as part of a holistic approach to medical care.

A fellow of the American College of Physicians, Gerber completed residency training at Strong Memorial Hospital at the University of Rochester in Rochester, New York. She earned a Master of Public Health from Harvard School of Public Health, where she also completed a post-doctoral fellowship. She earned her medical degree from Penn State College of Medicine in Hershey, Pa. Most recently, she served as medical director of women's health at VA Boston Healthcare System and was associate professor at Boston University School of Medicine. She is the editor of the text, "Trauma-informed Healthcare Approaches: A Guide for Primary Care."

Gerber is seeing adult patients at Albany Med's Internal Medicine Group, 178

Washington Ave. Extension, in Albany. For more information, call (518) 262-5735.

### National Grid joint venture secures \$150M portfolio revolving facility

LONDON — National Grid, one of the largest investor-owned utility companies in the world, announced that its Emerald Energy Venture, LLC joint venture has secured an innovative \$150 million Portfolio Revolving facility, with an accordion feature that will allow an increase to \$250 million beginning in mid-2022, to support the growth of its renewable energy portfolio in the U.S.

The new financing will support part of the construction of a mix of solar, battery storage and wind projects being developed by National Grid Renewables, the company's competitive renewable energy arm.

This novel facility will bundle several renewable energy projects together to provide economies of scale and operational efficiencies. It was structured under National Grid's Green Financing Framework, evidencing once again National Grid's strong commitment to advance a cleaner energy system.



Office of Gov. Andrew Cuomo

## Albany Med issues vaccine mandate

Employees must get vaccinated

ALBANY — Albany Med announced that all employees are now required to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. T

The policy announced Wednesday, Aug. 4 extends to physicians, nurses, College and support staff, contractors and any of the Medical Center's 10,000 colleagues with clinical or nonclinical responsibilities.

The medical group expressed increased concern over the recent Delta variant as a reason behind issuing the mandate to all of its 10,000 employees.

"The vaccines have proven to safely and effectively prevent Covid-19 and have reduced symptomatic infections and hospitalizations in breakthrough cases," the group stated.

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# Local cases of Epizootic Hemorrhagic

DEC confirms two cases of deer disease in Ulster, more cases under investigation

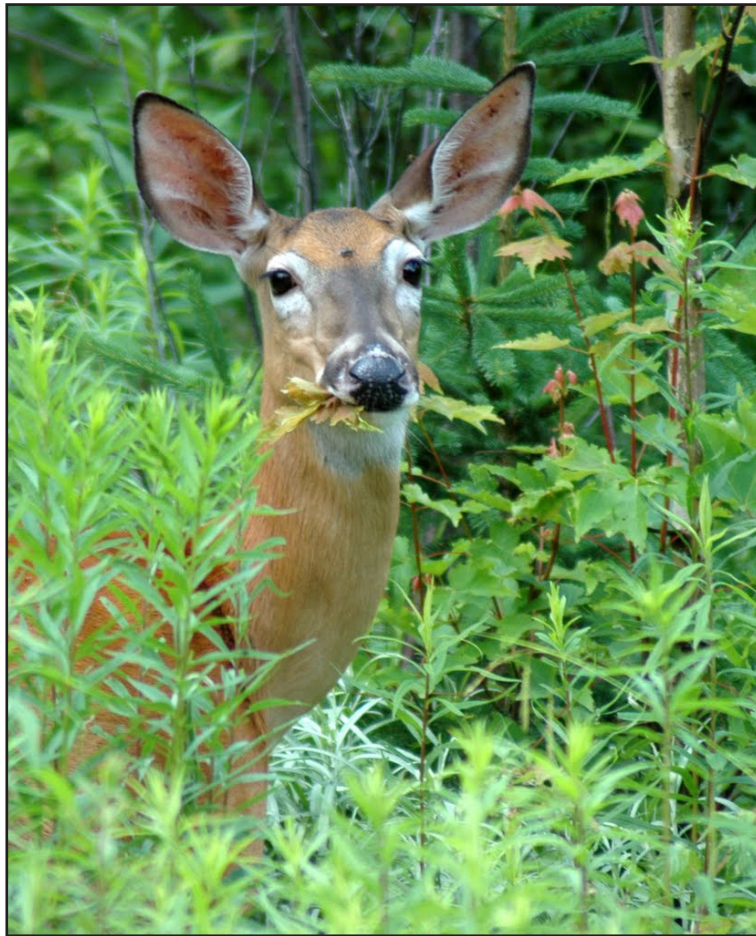
By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**  
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**ALBANY** — The state Department of Environmental Conservation confirmed two white-tailed deer in Ulster County, about 80 miles south of Albany County, died after contracting Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease.

The DEC shared in a statement Wednesday, Aug. 4 that it is following up on reports of several other dead deer in Dutchess, Ulster, and Westchester counties.

EHD virus is an often-fatal disease of deer that is transmitted by biting midges, small bugs often called no-see-ums or “punkies.” The disease is not spread from deer to deer and humans cannot be infected by deer or bites from midges.

The EHD virus was first



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confirmed in New York in 2007 with relatively small outbreaks in Albany, Rensselaer, and Niagara counties, and in Rockland County in 2011. From early September to late October 2020, a large EHD outbreak occurred in the lower Hudson Valley, centered in Putnam and Orange counties, with an estimated 1,500 deer mortalities.

Once infected with EHD, deer usually die within 36 hours. EHD outbreaks are most common in the late summer and early fall when midges are abundant. EHD symptoms include fever, hemorrhage in muscle or organs, and swelling of the head, neck, tongue, and lips. A deer infected with EHD may appear lame or dehydrated. Frequently, infected deer will seek out water sources and many succumb near a water source. There is no treatment or means to prevent EHD. The dead deer do not serve as a source of infection for other animals.

EHD outbreaks do not have a significant long-term impact on deer populations, but deer mortality can be intense in

small geographic areas. EHD is endemic in the southern states where there are annual outbreaks, so some southern deer have developed immunity. In the northeast, EHD outbreaks occur sporadically and deer in New York have no immunity to this virus. Consequently, most EHD-infected deer in New York are expected to die. In the north, the first hard frost kills the midges that transmit the disease, ending the EHD outbreak.

Sightings of sick or dying deer should be reported to the nearest DEC Regional Office or Environmental Conservation Police Officer. DEC will collect samples from deer and analyze data from deer reports to determine the extent of the outbreak. In addition, DEC has alerted Department of Agriculture and Markets veterinarians in the region to be aware of the disease and to report suspicious cases among captive deer.

For information, visit Cornell University’s Wildlife Health Lab website [cwhl.vet.cornell.edu](http://cwhl.vet.cornell.edu).

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**George E. Bronson**

**DELMAR** — George Bronson, 68, passed away on Monday, August 2, 2021.

George was born on August 26, 1952 in Margaretville, NY. He was raised in Hobart, NY by Mildred and Joe Dibble and was predeceased by his ten brothers and sisters.

George worked for Frito-Lay for twenty years prior to retiring. He was a lifelong fan of Rams football, loved collecting and playing music for friends and family, and spending time with his kids, nieces and nephews.

He loved animals and all his many pets over the years. George was the loving and proud father of Joseph (Molly) and Nichole. He is also survived by his spouse, Eileen.

Relatives and friends were invited to call at Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Mohawk

Hudson Humane Society, 3 Oakland Ave., Menands, NY 12204 where George adopted his beloved cats.

**Linda Greenough McGlynn**

**GLENMONT** — Linda McGlynn left this world suddenly yet peacefully in her sleep on August 5th, just days after her 69th birthday. Linda lived her life for others and radiated joy. She spent her free time traveling the world with friends or with her children Kerry Hasselbach (Joshua), Kelly Ferjentsik (Erik) and Shay McGlynn. She was known as 'Mima' to her precious grandchildren Christopher and Liam Hasselbach and Lennox and Violet Ferjentsik. Linda raised her children telling them they could do anything they put their minds to in this world and showed unconditional love and support.

Born in East Greenbush, she was the daughter of and is survived by Ronald and Loraine Greenough, siblings

Ronald Greenough (Pam), Timothy Greenough (Susan), Michael Greenough, and Gail Tremblay (Aaron), as well as many nieces and nephews. She will be forever missed by her long-term partner, Henry Taylor, who says she was the best person he knew.

Dr. Linda McGlynn, as she was known by her clients, spent her life helping others as a therapist to many in the Capital Region. Linda changed lives, and she left a lasting impact on anyone who knew her.

Linda was a lover of travel, food, wine, and the arts. She loved experiencing life and had just booked future trips to trek gorillas in Rwanda and to see the tulips in the Netherlands. She was planning a 70th birthday trip to Italy with her 3 children next year, where they will now plan to scatter her ashes in remembrance.

In lieu of traditional services, there was a celebration of life for close

**Bartholomew A. Necroto**

**MECHANICVILLE** — Bartholomew A. Necroto, 74, of Mechanicville, previously a Slingerlands resident for over 20 years, passed away peacefully on August 1, 2021, at St. Peter's Hospital surrounded by family.

Born in Brooklyn, he is the son of the late Bartholomew and June Necroto. A United States Air force veteran who served four years, he continued his service to the community as a volunteer firefighter in Levittown. Upon completing his military tour, he worked in the restaurant industry and eventually found love with the insurance business. He enjoyed his career as a dedicated agency manager for John Hancock's Albany office for 25 years.

Bartholomew is survived by his loving wife, Evelyn, of 42 years. In addition to Evelyn, Bart is survived by his brother Jack (Marieli), sister Cecilia Jasinski, daughter Christine Sciallo (Freddie), son Matthew, daughter Elizabeth, daughter Christina, and son John Paul. He is also survived by his loving grandchildren Andrew, Erica and Kayla (Sciallo), Beth (Necroto), and Arianna, Dominick (Costa), and Gianna (Rawal), as well as many nieces and nephews. Bart was predeceased by his parents. He loved spending time with his family, grandkids, and friends, as well as boating, camping, and dining out. He enjoyed watching the Mets play and had a deep love of German Shepherds.

Visitation will be held Sunday, Aug. 8, at New Comer Cremations and Funerals at 181 Troy Schenectady Rd, Latham, NY. A short mass followed. Internment was later at St. Charles/Resurrections Cemetery in Farmingdale.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations are made to the American Heart Association in honor of Bart Necroto.

family and friends hosted by her children at June Farms. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation

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**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE.**  
**TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY, NY.**  
 Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing as part of its regularly scheduled Board Meeting on Tuesday, 08/17/2021 at 6:00 PM, at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Ave, Delmar regarding a Minor Subdivision Application, submitted by Clavin's Holdings, LLC, as shown on drawing entitled "Map of Survey of Proposed Subdivision, Lands at 343-345 Delaware Avenue, Lands of Clavin's Holdings, LLC, Situate, Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, dated 04/06/2021, prepared by Bethlehem Land Surveying, LLC, Jason R. Peterson, PLS, 10 Hallwood Road, Delmar, NY 12054" Documentation related to the application can be viewed in the Planning Office at Town Hall, M-F, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM. Notice of Public Hearing will be mailed to property owners within 200' of the subject parcel. Said notice will also be published in the 08/11/2021 issue of the Spotlight Newspaper. All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard.  
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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
 1061 BAY 24TH STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/27/21. 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 Moshe Schwartz, c/o Law Offices of Michael Michael, 1795 Coney Island Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11230. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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**NOTICE OF FORMATION**  
 12-54 150TH STREET REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/11/21. 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 Razis & Ross, P.C., 23-09 31st Street, Astoria, NY 11105. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
 129 19TH STREET HOLDING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/28/21. 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, 180 Prospect Park West, Garden Suite, Brooklyn, NY 11215. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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**NOTICE OF FORMATION**  
 130W119 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/30/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the

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LLC, c/o Tobias Bachteler, 130 West 119th Street, New York, NY 10026. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
 1390 EAST 23RD STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/30/21. 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, 2001 Marcus Avenue, Suite W183, Lake Success, NY 11042. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
 147-15 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/25/21. 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 David Hurwitz, 147-15 70th Road, Flushing, NY 11367. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
 1553 EASTERN PARKWAY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/08/21. 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, 2085 Union Street, Brooklyn, NY 11212. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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**NOTICE OF FORMATION**  
 15A DEVELOPMENT, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/29/21. 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, 1424 Clove Road, Staten Island, NY 10301. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 182 HERKIMER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/13/21. 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 Y & Y Capital Group, LLC, 420 Madison Avenue, Suite 1001, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 184 HERKIMER STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/13/21. 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, 8116 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 185 REALTY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/30/21. 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, 4924 11th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11219. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 196 RUTLEDGE ST. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/29/21. 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, 196 Rutledge Street, Brooklyn, NY 11211. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 200 RIVERSIDE GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/03/21. 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.  
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**NOTICE OF FORMATION**  
 200 WEST 67TH STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/29/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 10 East 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
 209 E. 72ND STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/09/21. 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 Robert Dahdah, 300 Pier 4 Boulevard, Unit 6N, Boston, MA 02110. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
 210 WEST 17TH STREET OWNERS 26, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/03/21. 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 Y & Y Capital Group, LLC, 420 Madison Avenue, Suite 1001, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 220 REMSEN STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/30/19. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Donald T. Russell, 241 Remsen Street, Cohoes, NY 12047. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 23 CAMPBELL ROAD ASSOCIATES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/06/21. 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 Alder Capital, 88 Broad Street, Suite 28-088, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 2647 BROADWAY OWNER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/13/21. 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 F. White, Esq., 218 N. Wellwood Avenue, Suite 1, Lindenhurst, NY 11757. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 430 89TH STREET REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/11/21. 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, 249 Mayfair Drive North, Brooklyn, NY 11234. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 29 REGENT CIR LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/15/21. 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 Regent Cir, Staten Island, NY 10312. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 251 HIMROD LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/08/21. 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, 8116 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 357 ASSOCIATES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/28/21. 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 F. White, Esq., 218 N. Wellwood Avenue, Suite 1, Lindenhurst, NY 11757. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 328 BK ATLANTIC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/26/21. 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 East Group Capital, 110 East 31st Street, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 342 19TH STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/13/21. 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, 8116 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 430 89TH STREET REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/11/21. 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, 249 Mayfair Drive North, Brooklyn, NY 11234. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 29 REGENT CIR LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/15/21. 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 Regent Cir, Staten Island, NY 10312. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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copy of process to the LLC, c/o Zinman & Associates, 140 East 45th Street, 44th Floor, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 552 1ST STREET LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 07/08/21. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 07/06/21. 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, 552 1st Street, Brooklyn, NY 11215. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 559 NEW LOTS AVENUE REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/09/21. 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 Dolgetta Law, PLLC, 4 West Red Oak Lane, Suite 335, White Plains, NY 10604. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 5601-5611 AVENUE L REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/01/21. 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, 348 Mayfair Drive South, Brooklyn, NY 11234. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 59-24 70TH STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/07/21. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2081. 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, 59-28 70th Street, Maspeth, NY 11378. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
 62-64 READE STREET EC OWNER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/09/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the

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 62-64 READE STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/24/21. 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 Bruce H. Lederman, Esq., 345 Seventh Avenue, 23rd Floor, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 710 MACON LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/20/21. 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 Dolgetta Law, PLLC, 4 West Red Oak Lane, Suite 335, White Plains, NY 10604. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 79SEA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/26/21. 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, 1732 1st Avenue, #21041, New York, NY 10128. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 79STCAR LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/26/21. 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, 1732 1st Avenue, #21041, New York, NY 10128. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
 79STNAIL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/26/21. 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, 1732 1st Avenue, #21041, New York, NY 10128. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
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 79VAPE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/26/21. Office: AL-





## From page 1 ... Power dynamic

“This is a sad day for New York because independent investigators have concluded that Gov. Cuomo sexually harassed multiple women and, in doing so, broke the law,” said Attorney General James. “I am grateful to all the women who came forward to tell their stories in painstaking detail, enabling investigators to get to the truth. No man — no matter how powerful — can be allowed to harass women or violate our human rights laws, period.”

The report alleges that the governor and his senior staff took actions to retaliate against at least one former employee for coming forward with her story. It also states that the Executive Chamber fostered a “toxic” workplace that enabled “harassment to occur and created a hostile work environment.”

Attorney Kathryn Barcroft, who has authored various articles for the New York Law Journal concerning sexual harassment, said New York’s sexual harassment laws have established “great policies,” but they fall short when the person in power is the accused.

“New York was on the forefront with those laws... and had some great policies put in place,” Barcroft said. “The problem is, really, those policies fall short when the person in the more powerful position in the

company is actually the harasser, that’s an issue.”

Barcroft is a graduate of the University of Virginia School of Law and has over two decades of experience in private practice in New York. She currently practices at the Solomon Law Firm PLLC with offices in Albany, New York City, and Washington, D.C.

“You have to have an investigative arm, or human resources department, that’s strong enough to stand up to somebody who might be more powerful — in the case, the governor — and say, ‘Look. Your conduct is wrong and here are the steps we’re going to take for remedial action.’”

Investigators reportedly found the governor’s actions and those of the Executive Chamber violated multiple state and federal laws, as well as the Executive Chamber’s own written policies.

Backed up by corroborating evidence and credible witnesses, the investigators detail multiple current or former New York state employees or women outside state service who were the targets of harassing conduct on the part of the governor.

Additionally, the investigators found that the Executive Chamber was allegedly “rife with fear and intimidation” that not only “enabled the above-described instances of harassment

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New York Attorney General



New York Attorney General Letitia James

to occur,” but also “created a hostile work environment overall.” Further, Cuomo and the Executive Chamber allegedly engaged in “retaliatory” behavior by “intend[ing] to discredit and disparage” a former employee that came forward with her story of harassment.

“It’s a power dynamic,” Barcroft said. “It can be a woman with a man. These are all power dynamics that happen, and they shouldn’t happen. You have someone in a less powerful position being victimized.”

Barcroft has presented at the New York State Bar Association Presidential Summit and the Westchester and Connecticut Association of Corporate Counsel on MeToo and sexual harassment

legal issues.

“While there are these trainings in place, while there are policies in place, you still fear as a victim that if you go to human resources and you make a complaint you’re going to be retaliated against,” she said. “If the human resources department or the person who’s supposed to be investigating is beholden to the person in the company [doing the harassing], if you speak up, you’re going to be retaliated against.”

Barcroft said victims still have options to take if they fear their human resources department is failing to be impartial. After telling the harasser that their actions are unwelcomed, establishing that the incident is severe or pervasive, and reporting

the action to the employer, victims go outside the office. They can report their case to the Equal Opportunity Employment Commission, New York State Rights Commission or go to court.

“I think with the MeToo Movement there’s been a lot of focus on how pervasive the problem is in workplaces,” Barcroft said. “That’s very important and that creates change. ... If somebody’s uncomfortable and being asked about their dating history or their sex life or their appearance... those come right out of the hypotheticals of the New York State training policies. Those should trigger an investigation.”

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STEPBACKSTUDIO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/12/21. 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, 38-02 61st Street, Woodside, NY 11377. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-272015

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VICTORIOUS NUTRITION, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/27/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC

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VMJ HOLDING CO L.P. Cert. of Limited Partnership filed with the SSNY on 08/03/21. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2032. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LP, c/o BX Capital Holdings LLC, 29 West 36th Street, Suite 1100, New York, NY 10018. D-273367

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# A 'preliminary' look at September

*Editor's Note: Guilderland Superintendent Marie Wiles sent the following message to district families last week.*

Dear GCSD Families:

As we near the halfway point of summer, many of you may be wondering what the new school year will look like. If you are like families across the region, I'm sure you have some questions.

At Guilderland Central School District we are planning for a full return to school in September; however, at this time, we are awaiting guidance from the New York State Department of Health and the Albany County

Department of Health regarding protocols we must follow. Among the areas for which we need guidance are protocols for mask wearing, social distancing in classrooms, cafeterias and on school buses. This information is critical to our planning for a learning environment that keeps our students and staff safe and healthy. Once we receive this guidance we will be able to formulate a detailed, realistic plan that we will share with you. We are hopeful the guidance is released soon.

I can share that the Guilderland Central School District is planning to participate in the remote

instructional model being coordinated through Capital Region BOCES. More detail about this model will be available soon, but the intent is to provide a fully remote, full year K-12 program for those families who may wish to consider that option for medical reasons. This model will provide instruction that will align to the New York State Learning Standards and will be offered to students from multiple school districts taught by New York State certified, highly-qualified teachers with experience teaching in a remote environment.

In the coming days

and weeks, you'll receive information that's specific to your students' individual building as well as updates from me regarding the new school year. In addition, the district will soon be seeking information from families regarding their plans for transportation and the need to take advantage of the fully-remote option for medical reasons for school in September.

Thank you for your patience as we get closer to welcoming your children back to learning.

Sincerely,  
Marie Wiles, Ph.D.  
Superintendent

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## LIBRARIES

# Teen Advisory Group is preparing to meet

Students in grades 7 and up are invited to join TAG, the Teen Advisory Group. Librarian Debbie Sternklar holds occasional TAG meetings in person and/or on Zoom, and surveys members for ideas and input about events and services for middle and high school teens.

Please register online for further information, including community service openings.

The next meeting will be



at 3 p.m., Monday, Sep. 20.

### Encore!Books

The Friends of the Library (FOL) used book store is back, and busier than ever. Tentative hours are Tuesdays, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., and Thursdays, 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Please check the

FOL Facebook page for updates and current Covid protocols.

Donations are limited to two boxes or bags per visit, and will be vetted at drop off area.

### Bikes Available to Borrow

Thanks to the Voorheesville Family Bicycling Day group, the Library now has four new bikes for patrons to borrow.

There are two each for adults and children.

All bikes come with a helmet and a lock, and can be checked out for a week. Call or stop in for more information.

### Calling All Artists and Collectors

The Library is always looking for artists who would like to display their work in our hall gallery. Photographers, painters,

multimedia artists, we would love to have you share your art with our community. Collectors are also wanted.

People collect the most interesting stuff, and we want you to share that interest by displaying it in our hall case.

Please call 518-765-2791 or email [reference@voorpl.org](mailto:reference@voorpl.org) to let us know you would like to sign up for a month long display in 2022. —Lynn Kohler

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# Race, space and mobility

**W**hen the documentary "Driving While

Black: Race, Space and Mobility in America" debuted on PBS last fall, NPR TV critic Eric Deggans said it offered "an idea that's both eye-opening and surprisingly simple – that much of the nation's turmoil over slavery, racial issues and civil rights connects to the ability of Black people to move freely through the country."

On Thursday, Aug. 26, at 7 p.m., you'll have the opportunity to join author Dr. Gretchen Sorin and filmmaker Ric Burns virtually in a lively and important conversation about the documentary, which is based on Dr. Sorin's book about African American travel and the road to Civil Rights.

Registration is being handled by the Upper Hudson Library System. You will receive the Zoom link on the day of the program. To sign up, go to [bit.ly/Sorinlibraryprogram](https://bit.ly/Sorinlibraryprogram),

Dr. Sorin's book "Driving While Black: African American Travel and the Road to Civil Rights" is available to borrow from our catalog, and the digital audiobook



can be downloaded without any wait through Hoopla.

This program is presented in collaboration with the Upper Hudson Library System, International Coalition of Sites of Conscience, The Cooperstown Graduate Program and Steeplechase Films.

## Paint Your Own Llama

Who doesn't *love* llamas? They're cute, they're soft and they're smart. And while real llamas generally come in shades of black, gray, brown, red or white, when you join us for our "Paint Your Own Llama" program on Saturday, Aug. 14, the sky's the limit when it comes to your llama's color scheme! The finished ceramic llamas will add a cute decorative touch to a bookshelf or desk.

This program is open to grades K-5 and will take place outside on the library Green at 3 p.m. Visit our online calendar at [bethlehem.librarycalendar.com](https://bethlehem.librarycalendar.com) to sign up.

## Family entertainment in the park

The weather hasn't been very cooperative with our past Thursdays in the Park events, but we've been able to reschedule those family favorites that were rained out in July. See the schedule below for the new dates and times!

**Andy the Music Man:** Thursday, Aug. 19, at 6 p.m.

**Jester Jim:** Tuesday, Aug. 24, at 7 p.m.

Shows are held at Elm Avenue Park in partnership with Bethlehem Town Parks and Recreation and co-sponsored by the Friends of Bethlehem Public Library. They take place on the special events lawn at the park, with space available on a first come basis.

## Bookmark contest

Our all-ages bookmark contest is open through the end of the month. Entries in our Summer Reading Bookmark Contest can be submitted through Tuesday, Aug. 31.

— Kristen Roberts

# Paint splatter on Tuesday

**D**rop and splatter paint to make unique artwork at the Library

on Tuesday, Aug. 17, at 2 p.m. We will be using acrylic paints, squirt bottles, and kitchen utensils to swirl and create textures in the paint. Make sure to wear clothes you don't mind getting paint on, as this is a messy art program. Aimed at school-aged kids and tweens. Registration required, register online under "Events."

## Take And Make

Sponge Paint Take and Make: Make a sponge painted butterfly using a kit of materials provided by the Library. Remember to wear an apron or clothes you don't mind getting messy.

## RCS COMMUNITY LIBRARY

### Photos in the Park

Did you know there are over 16 parks in the area? Summer is a great time to get out and explore the parks of our community with your camera in hand. Visit one or more, send us your best shot and we'll display them at the Library and as part of the Friendship Festival! The submission deadline is Aug. 20th.

### Magic Show!

Families, the Library invites you to celebrate Summer Reading on Wednesday, Aug. 18, at

6:30 p.m. Spend a magical evening at the Mosher Park Pavilion when Magician Brian McGovern joins us. Be prepared to be baffled and amazed! Registration is limited and required, register once per family via "Events" on the Library website.

### Big Truck Day

What's cooler than a bunch of big, working trucks all parked together that kids can explore?

On Thursday, Aug. 19, from 10 a.m. to noon, the library's parking lot will have lots of big rigs for kids to see, climb, sit in the driver's seat and maybe even honk the horn!

— Carol Melewski

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# Summer Reading Wrap-Up

**O**ur Tails & Tales Summer Reading Program (SRP) concludes on Friday, Aug. 20. Check our Events calendar frequently at [guilderlandlibrary.org](https://guilderlandlibrary.org) and register up to two weeks in advance, or call us at 518-456-2400, ext. 3. More SRP details for kids and teens may be found at: <https://guilderlandlibrary.org/srp> and on our GPL Kids and Families Facebook page. For adult information, go to: <https://guilderlandlibrary.org/adultsrp>. To find out about teen community service opportunities, please see: <https://guilderlandlibrary.org/teenvolunteers>.

## Dog Toys in the Park

Meet us at the Large Pavilion in Tawasentha Park on Friday, Aug. 13, at 2:30 p.m. to make a

squeaking tug toy your dog will enjoy! All supplies will be provided. We recommend leaving your furry friend at home and surprising them with the finished creation. Please register on our website for this family/all ages event.

## Grades K-2 Activity Kit

During Fantasy Animal week, grades K-2 can create their own unique unicorn and unicorn mask. All supplies will be provided. Please register, then pick up your kit curbside Tuesday, Aug. 17 through Saturday, Aug. 21. Any unclaimed kits will be available on a first-come first-served basis starting Monday, Aug. 23.

## Fantasy Animal Storytime

Join Ms. Elisabeth starting Wednesday, Aug. 18 for a Fantasy Animal

Storytime on our YouTube channel and GPL Kids & Families Facebook page. Take a fun family break anytime, featuring books, rhymes, and other fun surprises. Our YouTube channel is chock-full of engaging content kids are bound to enjoy.

## SRP Finale: Animal Tales

Who has the best tales (and tails) in the world? Animals do! From folktales about adventurous monkeys to a true tale of a neighborhood squirrel that drives everyone nuts—we'll have tons of participatory fun with these engaging online stories about four-legged capers, presented by multiple award-winning Master Storyteller Diane Edgecomb. This session will be viewable on both our YouTube channel and GPL Kids and Families Facebook page starting Fri.

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## Decoding Cats

Learn all about feline behavior, including the evolutionary and adaptive forces that help shape cats' lives, on Tuesday, Aug. 17, at 7:30 p.m. Feline Behaviorist Stephen Quandt will help unlock some of these mysteries, answer questions, and offer behavior advice. Sign up on the Events tab of our website for this informative virtual program.

## Trustees Meet

The Guilderland Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at the library for their regular monthly business meeting on Thursday, Aug. 19, at 6 p.m. This meeting will also be streamed live and archived on GPL's YouTube channel. Public commentary may be submitted to: [pc@guilderlandlibrary.org](mailto:pc@guilderlandlibrary.org).

## Preserve the Bounty

Wondering what to do with the surplus of fresh homegrown garden veggies? Here's a manageable solution! We'll convene via Zoom on Tuesday, Aug. 24, at 6:30 p.m. with Karen Roberts Mort, a food & nutrition educator with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County, to learn safe food preservation techniques such as dehydration, freezing, canning, and fermenting. Tips on preparing, cooking and serving vegetables in quick, delicious and healthy ways will also be shared. Sign up on the Events tab of our website.

## Virtual Craft & Chat

Crafters and aspiring crafters: what are you working on? Need ideas?

We'd love to chat, share tips, maybe even inspire one another. Whether you knit, stitch, sketch, paint—whatever craft you dabble in—we want to hear about it! Sign up for our next online meetup Wednesday, Aug. 25, at 6 p.m. After registering, you'll receive the Zoom link in advance.

## Construction Update

We're close to completion, on budget and 11 months ahead of schedule with our extensive building project, which is expected to conclude around Labor Day. More details may be found at: <https://bit.ly/GPLbuildingproject>. Due to limited interior space from construction plus social distancing constraints, GPL is not currently open to public browsing.

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**Don't Sleep on Delmar**

The not-so-sleepy little town is waking up to the power of live music

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**  
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**DELMAR** — Don't call Bethlehem a bedroom community. Residents hate that.

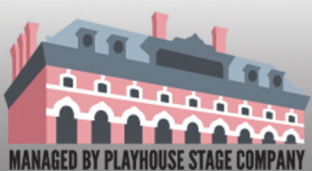
The town just south of Albany is more than just a place to sleep. It has quietly developed the semblance of a nightlife where Delaware and Kenwood avenues converge at its Four Corners. Some have started calling it a music scene, and it even has Town Hall embracing that image.



Bethlehem's annual First Night festivities have included live music, but this year its town board gave a nod to its burgeoning music scene by investing in a mobile stage. With its recent embrace of food trucks at its town park, there's potential for something big here.

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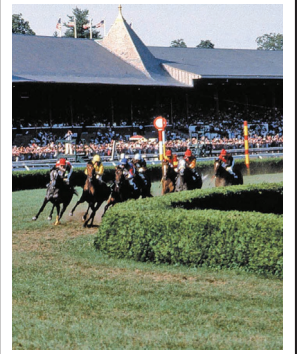
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This vintage Cadillac was parked along Albany's State Street. A piece of automotive art.




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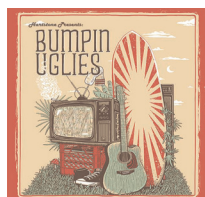
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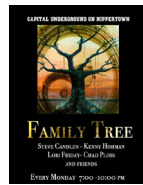
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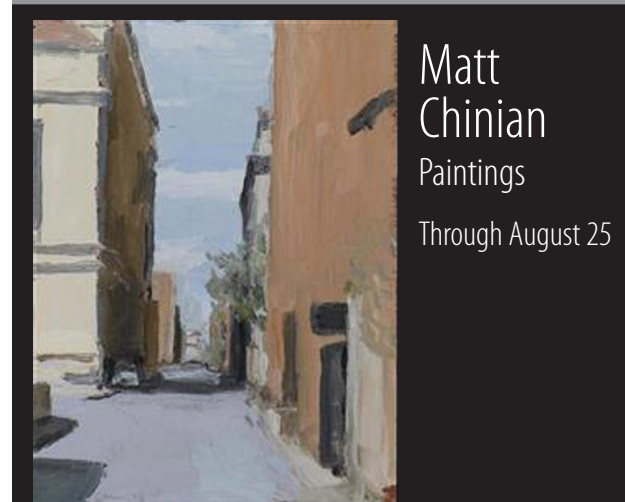
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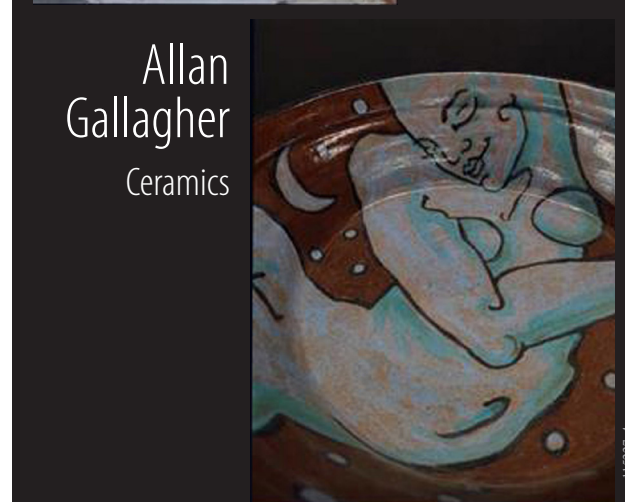
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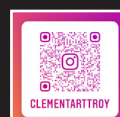
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WHAT'S HAPPENING

# Sun is Poison to play Upbeat on the Roof

**SARATOGA SPRINGS** — The Frances Young Tang Teaching Museum and Art Gallery at Skidmore College's Upbeat on the Roof concert series continues Thursday, Aug. 12, at 6 p.m. with Sun is Poison.

A lo-fi solo project of Ballston Spa's Will Seifart, Sun is Poison creates immersive works that meld the mechanical sounds of drum machines and synths with banjos, guitars, and honest and poignant lyrics. Sun is Poison will be making its Upbeat debut.

The Upbeat on the Roof concert takes place on the Tang lawn near the campus outdoor volleyball courts. Visitors are welcome to bring blankets, chairs, and coolers, and are advised to arrive early as capacity is limited. Free parking is available off Perimeter Road, next to the museum. The Museum is on the Skidmore College campus at 815 N. Broadway in Saratoga Springs. In case of rain, the event will be

IF YOU GO

- **What:** Sun is Poison at Upbeat on the Roof
- **When:** 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 12
- **Where:** Tang Teaching Museum, Skidmore College, 815 N. Broadway, Saratoga Springs
- **How much:** Free
- **Info:** For information on the musician, Sun is Poison, visit Bandcamp at <https://sunispoison.bandcamp.com>. And, for more information on the event, visit: <https://tang.skidmore.edu/calendar/1505-upbeat-on-the-roof-with-sun-is-poison>.

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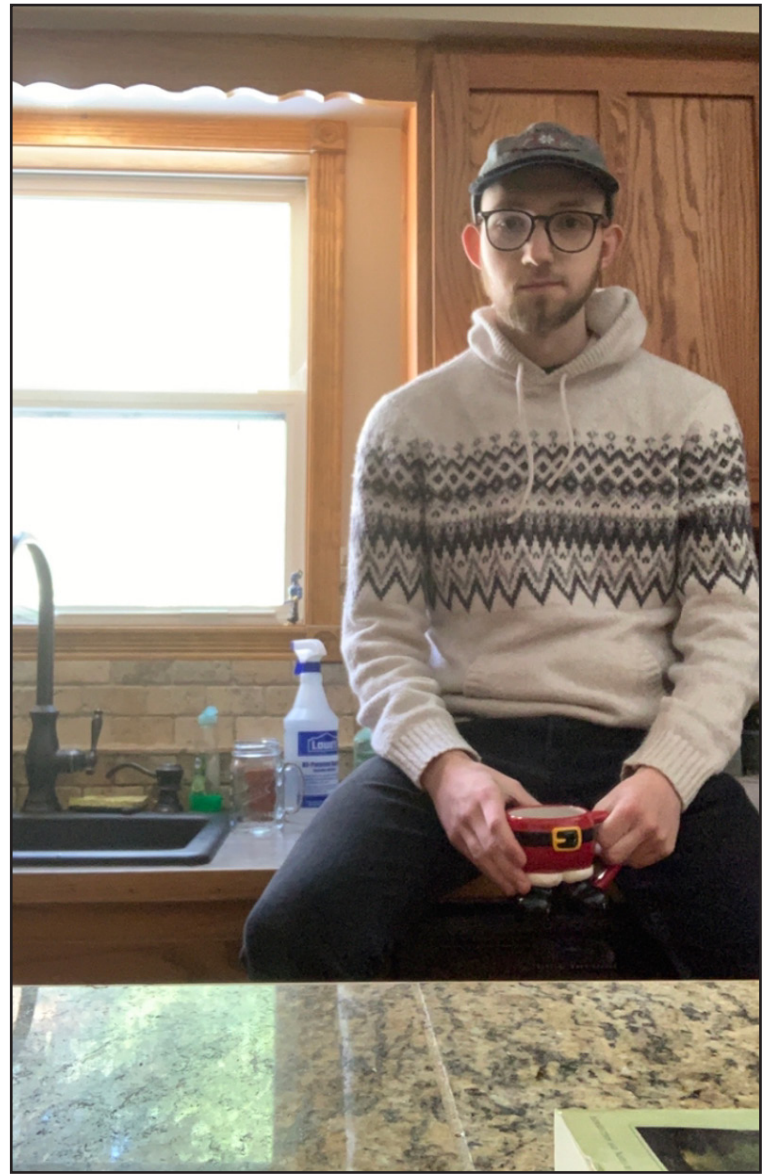
The Upbeat on the Roof concert series, now in its twentieth season, will conclude Thursday, Aug. 19 with Heavenly Echoes.

The Tang Teaching Museum at Skidmore College is a pioneer of interdisciplinary exploration and learning. A cultural anchor

of New York's Capital District, the Tang's approach has become a model for university art museums across the country—with exhibition programs that bring together visual and performing arts with interdisciplinary ideas from history, economics, biology, dance, and physics to name just a few.

The Tang has one of the most rigorous faculty-engagement initiatives in the nation, and a robust publication and touring exhibition program that extends the museum's reach far beyond its walls. The Tang Teaching Museum's award-winning building, designed by architect Antoine Predock, serves as a visual metaphor for the convergence of art and ideas. The Museum is open to the public Thursday through Sunday, noon to 5 p.m.

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FASHION

# Build an amazing wardrobe on a budget

Books should not be judged by their covers, but appearances do make a difference in people's perceptions of others. That is why job seekers wear professional attire to job interviews and why weddings are made even more special when they become black tie affairs.

Wardrobe influencers model an ongoing rotation of designer looks. The latest designer looks may not be within everyone's budget, even for those who

routinely update their wardrobes. The average adult between the ages of 35 and 44 spends \$209 per month on clothing, according to Credit Donkey, and the average family spends \$1,800 per year on clothing. Style seekers can rest assured that it's possible to build stylish wardrobes without going broke.

### Make a list

Certain wardrobe items, particularly office essentials, are

staples. A crisp white shirt, a well-fitted blazer, black trousers, a sheath dress, a tailored suit, and some classic jeans are all worthy of inclusion in your closet. When you know which items to update, you can shop sales until your list is checked off.

### Shop discounts

Certain stores sell discounted, overstocked items from department stores or other retailers. Others fill the racks

with last season's finds. Even if these offerings are not completely current, many are still trendy. In addition, such stores frequently feature popular manufacturers and designer items.

### Consignment shops

Consignment stores can be found in towns all over the country and online. For example, The Real is a luxury consignment sales outlet for preowned designer items that are authenticated by experts. Many of these items are very gently used and still have a lot of life in them.

### Seek a tailor

Any piece can be made to look more expensive when properly fitted. Moderately priced items can tailored to individuals' bodies

can look like designer clothes.

### One or two statement pieces

When indulging on a statement piece, choose items that will stand the test of time. A quality handbag or pair of shoes can be a splurge, provided they are well made and durable.

### Cost per wear

The wardrobe resource What to Wear suggests asking yourself questions like: "Will I wear this multiple times?" or "Is this item driven by a fleeting trend?" or "Will this go with items in my closet?" These considerations will make it easier to determine if a particular item is worthy of your hard-earned dollars.

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# RPI expert tapped for AI research

Research aimed at ‘democratizing’ AI through applications in smart foodsheds, digital agriculture, and animal ecology

**TROY** — An expert in applying artificial intelligence to problems in animal ecology at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute will join a team of researchers in a new \$20 million National Science Foundation Artificial Intelligence Research Institute.

The Intelligent Cyberinfrastructure with Computational Learning in the Environment (ICICLE), one of 11 new institutes, will build next-generation cyberinfrastructure aimed at rendering AI more



accessible to non-experts.

Chuck Stewart, professor and head of the Department of Computer Science at Rensselaer, joins ICICLE as an expert in the ecological applications of computer vision, such as taking population censuses, tracking land use, and monitoring behavior. Stewart is a co-investigator

in the Wildbook project with Wild Me, which builds open software and artificial intelligence for the conservation research community. The project draws heavily on open-source software he and his students created, known as the Image-Based Ecological Information System, which can identify

individual animals in ordinary photographs and match them against images of known animals stored in a database.

“It’s an honor to be joining a group of very talented AI and machine learning and application-focused people to solve some really important problems,” Stewart said.

“Ecology is an important part of this, but an even bigger emphasis is making it easier for non-specialist to use AI to do things that they can’t do because of the complexity of the AI models and the scale and volume of the data.”

Stewart explained part of the project as using intelligent systems to configure algorithms for specific purposes, like ecological applications, or as he put it, “using an AI to construct an AI.”

According to Ohio State University, which will lead ICICLE, the new institute will create a unique plug-and-play AI-as-a-service that will seamlessly adapt to the changing data and infrastructure needs of the end user. Using natural language conversational and visualization-powered user interfaces, ICICLE will democratize AI by making it easy for use by non-

experts and ubiquitously accessible on a plethora of devices from edge to center.

The five-year project will focus on three application domains: Smart Foodsheds, Digital Agriculture, and Animal Ecology. The team will use edge devices such as drones and remote sensing platforms to map, monitor, and design the underlying topology, species composition, and function of a landscape to co-design an AI enabled cyberinfrastructure that, in turn, will enhance food security, allow superior digital management of agricultural production, and help us better understand the movement and behavior of animals in the context of habitats.

ICICLE includes a core team of 46 academic researchers and staff scientists from 13 universities, and more than 40 institute partners including Department of Energy research labs, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, nonprofit organizations, university-based research centers, and private industry. Rensselaer will receive \$353,259 as part of ICICLE.

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Mon: **Dave Gallagher** | 5:30-7:30  
Tues: **Open Mic** | 7:30-9:30

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Fri: **Pearl** | 7 p.m.

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Wed: **LIT** | 11:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

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Thurs: **Trivia** | 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
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# HOT SPOTS EVENTS CALENDAR



## DJ Trumastr to spin at The Night Owl

You'd be hard-pressed to find a better DJ around these parts than DJ Trumastr. When the night calls for an electrified crowd, he's often the man found behind the turntable doing just that. Trumastr is scheduled to spin the wheels at The Night Owl in Saratoga Springs on Thursday, Friday and Sunday night.

DJ Trumastr

**Funny Bone**

1 Crossgates Mall Rd #K-206, Albany  
518-313-7484  
Fri and Sat: **Ryan Hamilton** | 7 and 9:45 p.m.

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**Grappa '72**

818 Central Ave., Albany  
518-482-7200  
Thurs: **Hamilton Street Jazz Trio** | 5:30-8:30 p.m.  
Fri: **Earl Davis with Peg & Bill Delaney** | 5:30-8:30 p.m.

**The Hangar on the Hudson**

675 River St., Troy  
518-272-9740  
Sat: **Linda Gail Lewis And The Lustre Kings** | 8-11 p.m.

**The Hollow Bar + Kitchen**

79 North Pearl St., Albany  
518-426-8550

**Lark Hall**

351 Hudson Ave, Albany  
518-599-5804  
Wed: **Tuba Skinny** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **The Nolanauts** | 8 p.m.

**The Linda**

339 Central Ave, Albany  
518-465-5233  
Thurs: **Caity Gallagher W.S.G. Poet D. Colin** | 8-10 p.m.  
Fri: **John Primer & the Real Deal Blues Band** | 8-10 p.m.  
Tues: **Kimberly Hawkey - We the Nighthawks** | 8-10 p.m.

**The Night Owl**

17 Maple Ave., Saratoga Springs  
518-319-2300  
Wed: **Gabby & Tall Ass Matt all vinyl set** | 7:30-11:30 p.m.  
Thurs: **Leah Woods** | 7-8:30

Thurs: **DJ Trumastr** | 8:30-12  
Fri: **DJ Trumastr & Nate da Great on the patio** | 7-1 a.m.

Fri: **DJ Tomb in the RedRoom** | 9:30 p.m.-3 a.m.  
Sat: **Leah Woods Band** | 6-8 p.m.  
Sat: **DJ Tomb on the patio** | 8 p.m.-1 a.m.

Sat: **TSwag in the RedRoom** | 9:30 p.m.-3 a.m.  
Sun: **Trumastr & guests** | 4 p.m.-12 a.m.

**Panza's**

129 So. Broadway, Saratoga Springs  
518-584-6882  
Thurs: **Roger Morris** | 7 p.m.  
Fri: **Sherry Jean Waite and Bobby Van Delta** | 8-10 p.m.  
Sat: **Annette Harris & Azaam Hammed** | 8-10 p.m.  
Sun: **Sinatra & Friends** | 6 p.m.  
Wed: **Artie Mozeik** | 7 p.m.

**The Parting Glass**

40-42 Lake Ave., Saratoga Springs  
518-583-1916  
Wed: **Irish Celtic Session** | 7-10 p.m.  
Thurs: **Mark Emanation & Joe Mele Duo** | 8-11 p.m.  
Fri: **Seth Warden Trio** | 8-11 p.m.  
Sat: **18 Strings Of Neil** | 8-11 p.m.  
Sun: **Kevin McKrell** | 7-8:30 p.m.

**Paulys Hotel**

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Fri: **The Frozen Heads, Society High, Lunkheads LIFELONGDEATH** | 8 p.m.

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Sat: **reaLation. "Selfish" Video Premiere** | 7:30 p.m.

**Putnam Place**

63a Putnam St., Saratoga Springs  
518-584-8066  
Fri: **Joe Chaos Birfdai Party** | 6 p.m.  
Sun: **Latin Night w/ DJ BoyBoy** | 8

p.m.  
Mon: **4th Annual David Cassidy Celebration of A Triple Crown Life** | 3 p.m.

**The Ruck**

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Thurs: **Open Mic Night** | 6 p.m.

**Saratoga City Tavern**

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518-581-3230  
Thurs: **Karaoke** | 9 p.m.  
Fri and Sat: **DJ Dingz** | 10 p.m.  
Sun: **MugDay FunDay** | 12 p.m.  
Mon: **Bingo** | 8 p.m.  
Tues: **Trivia** | 8 p.m.

**SPAC**

Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs  
518-584-9330  
Thurs-Sat: **The Philadelphia Orchestra** | 8 p.m.  
Sun: **Daryl Hall & John Oates wsg Squeeze** | 7 p.m.  
Mon: **An Evening with Lindsey Stirling** | 7 p.m.

**Troy Savings Bank Music Hall**

30 Second St., Troy  
518-273-0038  
Fri: **Troy's Summer Square Series - Triskele** | 6 p.m.  
Sat: **Troy's Summer Square Series - Mark & Jill** | 6 p.m.

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Fri and Sat: **Cliff Brucker** | 7-10 p.m.

**Waterworks Pub**

76 Central Ave., Albany  
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Fri: **Friday Night Dancing & Karaoke** | 10 p.m.-4 a.m.  
Sat: **Saturday Night Dancing & Drag** | 10 p.m.-4 a.m.

**Wishing Well Restaurant**

745 Saratoga Rd., Wilton  
518-584-7640  
Fri: **Rob Aronstein** | 6-9 p.m.  
Sat: **Rob Aronstein** | 6-9 p.m.

## EXHIBITS

**Michelangelo: A Different View**

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Jason Gallo, right, recalls hitting live music shows in Peekskill before he and his wife moved up to the Capital District. Once he was appointed as Bethlehem's parks and recreation administrator, he asked himself why his new hometown couldn't do the same. Last month, Raisinhead played on the town's new \$150,000 mobile stage.

Michael Hallisey / The Spot 518

## From page B1 ... Don't sleep on Delmar

Delmar is a micro music scene where Ominous Seapods and Get Up Jack have been known to walk the sidewalks. It's not quite Caroline and Putnam streets in Saratoga Springs, but live music has reverberated through many summer nights from under the town clock. From a few doors down Kenwood, the Twisted Vine has hosted musicians. Down Delaware and around the corner, the Real McCoy has amplified music playing from its parking lot. And further down the road, people have grown accustomed to the occasional craic at O'Slattery's Irish Restaurant & Pub.

Nonetheless, Bethlehem had yet to welcome live music on the same scale as neighboring communities. Where Albany and Troy have continued to provide free weekly concerts each summer, surrounding towns and villages have followed suit, from Lansingburgh to Scotia.

In January, the Town approved the purchase of a \$150,000 mobile stage for its Parks and Recreation Department. It was bought by means of a state grant, an agreement it committed to in 2019 to enhance the town's parks, including the Henry Hudson and Elm Avenue parks. The pandemic, however, prevented the town from making any purchases just recently.

It was difficult to distinguish

*"Food trucks in parks is something that has actually come up in discussion with [the Town Board] in the last couple of years. We think we can really do an excellent job and still provide those food service benefits, and still offer an overall enhancement to the park by allowing food trucks."*

— Jason Gallo,  
Bethlehem Parks and  
Recreation Administrator

Jason Gallo from any of the town residents enjoying the July 4 weekend at the Elm Avenue Park pavilion. His face was covered by a burgeoning beard and sunglasses hiding underneath the brim of a baseball cap. He was engaged in light conversation as the stage unfolded before them, preparing for a mid-afternoon show featuring Raisinhead. Before moving to town and taking the job as parks and recreation administrator, he said he enjoyed

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### CLUES ACROSS

- Midway between east and southeast
- Sun up in New York
- Japanese honorific
- Czech name for Prague
- Ochocinco's first name
- Steep cliffs (Hawaiian)
- Scots word for "home"
- Upper class young woman (abbr.)
- Monetary unit of Albania
- Raise
- Drain of resources
- Uncultured, clumsy persons
- Hikers use them
- Retrospective analysis (military)
- Tibetan form of chanting
- Influential European statesman
- Soluble ribonucleic acid
- Monetary unit of Romania
- Round green vegetable
- Well acquainted with
- Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
- Basics
- "The Godfather" actress Keaton
- Snakelike fish
- Tall deciduous tree
- Russian river
- Long Balkans river
- Ancient Greek coin
- Senegal's capital
- Unwell
- Snout
- Low bank or reef of coral

### CLUES DOWN

- Abstain from
- Vast desert in North Africa
- Cover the crown of a tooth
- A major division of geological time
- Urban center
- Crook
- Parts per billion (abbr.)
- Questions
- A pack of 52 playing cards
- Recording of sound
- Pithy saying
- Atomic #22
- Soviet Socialist Republic
- Plant with ridged seedpods
- Innate
- Investigative body for Congress (abbr.)
- Soda receptacle
- Spanish stew: \_\_ podrida
- Viet Cong offensive
- Large body of water
- Beginning military rank
- Dissimilar
- Counteroffensive system (abbr.)
- Shows who you are
- Chinese dynasty
- Type of verse
- African nation
- Quite
- Former Bucks star Michael
- Showed again
- Body part
- Steal

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attending similar shows from outside of Peekskill, where the community would host concerts. Flanked to the right of the stage was a gathering of food trucks, another idea of his.

“Food trucks in parks is something that has actually come up in discussion with [the Town Board] in the last couple of years,” he said. Bethlehem decided to shutter its public pools last year as it waited out the pandemic. While doing so, the contractor it long had for food service retired, and no one else showed interest. In March, he pitched food trucks. “We think we can really do an excellent job and still provide those food service benefits, and still offer an overall enhancement to the park by allowing food trucks.”

The holiday show offered a glimpse of the town’s potential as an honest site for live music shows, not unlike Troy’s Rockin’ on the River. In the recent past, that concert series limited featured acts to local and regional acts. Nights featuring Skeeter Creek or Almost Queen, however, have still been known to bring in crowds by the hundreds — which its expansive greenspace could accommodate.

The town closes out its four-show summer concert series with Belle-Skinner on Wednesday, Aug. 18, at 6:30 p.m.



Jon DeSormeau, of Chef John Food Truck, is semi-retired. The pandemic gave him and his wife Ann the push to get their food truck up and running and can now be found regularly at Bethlehem’s Elm Avenue Town Park. When you find them, ask for a serving of their Shawarma. It’s chicken marinated with curry and served on pita with humas.

Michael Hallisey / The Spot 518

Jackie Slattery took advantage of a bustling Albany County Rail Trail and opened the doors to Bliss Delmar a few years ago. She recently added a food truck to take her juice and smoothie bar on the road. On a hot day, her made to order cold-pressed juices can satisfy any thirst. Her most popular of service is a Basic Bliss, which is a mix of strawberry, banana and peanut butter with almond milk.



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## ■ SCENE

### Ready for your close-up?

**ALBANY** — A movie production crew filming in our area is hiring background actors for several upcoming scenes.

“Resurrection,” a feature film starring Rebecca Hall, is filming in the Capital District. The production crew is looking for background actors for specific scenes to be filmed between Thursday, Aug. 12 and Sunday, Aug. 22.

All genders and ethnicities are sought to fill the roles. Performers are to be between the ages of 18 and 75 years old. Extras will work under a SAG-AFTRA contract, with a pay rate of \$182 for every 8-hour-day.

If interested, email [johanna@tcreativescasting.com](mailto:johanna@tcreativescasting.com). In your email, provide two recent photos of yourself, dates in which you are available, and list any previous acting experience.

### Rockin' Music Cruise

**LAKE GEORGE** — Glass Pony is ready to set sail on the band's next gig — floating atop the lake aboard the Minne Ha Ha on Saturday, Aug. 14, at 9:30 p.m.

Described as a high-energy psychedelic groove circus, Glass Pony is an up-and-coming band worth checking out.

The local band has garnered success in recent years by encapsulating influences that stretch across the decades; from psychedelic and jam band, to funk and post-punk.

The band is comprised of Chanda Dewey, drums, Eddie Hotaling, guitar and lead vocals; Jeff Picarazzi, bass; and Greg Pittz, lead guitar.

Admission costs \$20 or adults, \$10 for children. Boarding time for the two-hour cruise is 9 p.m.

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# HOROSCOPES

## August 2021 Week 2

**ARIES – MAR 21/APR 20**  
Try to dig a little deeper and not take things at face value this week, Aries. Some surprising elements that you may not initially recognize are just waiting to be discovered.

**TAURUS – APR 21/MAY 21**  
It's good to have a rich fantasy life to envision plans for the future, Taurus. Some of these ideas may come to fruition this week as you dig down deep into your creative side.

**GEMINI – MAY 22/JUN 21**  
Avoid jumping to the conclusion that a romantic partner is looking to move on, Gemini. There may be another underlying factor at play that will soon come to light.

**CANCER – JUN 22/JUL 22**  
Some major news is the catalyst that ignites the flame for your motivation to change, Cancer. You may find you're interested in volunteerism or another worthy project.

**LEO – JUL 23/AUG 23**  
Enjoy time spent connecting with some new people this week, Leo. It is a fine time to branch out of your typical social circles and embrace new friendships with confidence.

**VIRGO – AUG 24/SEPT 22**  
You gravitate toward people who prefer to see life through rose-colored glasses this week, Virgo. Enjoy this optimistic outlook and make the most of it.

**LIBRA – SEPT 23/OCT 23**  
An intense phone call may put you on edge for a little while, Libra. But once you get to the heart of the matter and think things through, you can work it out.

**SCORPIO – OCT 24/NOV 22**  
Scorpio, your desire to socialize will be stronger than ever, so get out there and make a new friend or two. You will enjoy sharing ideas with others and trying some new things.

**SAGITTARIUS – NOV 23/DEC 21**  
Appreciate all of the good things you have going in your life now, Sagittarius. Pay homage to those who have lent a hand or offered support that went above and beyond.

**CAPRICORN – DEC 22/JAN 20**  
You may be on the brink of making a major move Capricorn. Try not to focus too much on all of the small details; look at the bigger picture.

**AQUARIUS – JAN 21/FEB 18**  
A short trip out of town might be necessary to clear your head, Aquarius. Schedule some time to get away so you can rest, relax and recharge free of distraction.

**PISCES – FEB 19/MAR 20**  
Take some time alone this week to reorder your priorities, Pisces. You may have made commitments that no longer are vital.

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## THEATRE REVIEW

### Playhouse's 'Matilda'

By **PATRICK WHITE**  
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**ALBANY** — Imagine there's a small group of extraordinarily talented children and they've been promised a showcase to their talents over a year and a half ago but a worldwide cataclysm interrupts their plans and they must remain inside, rehearse over Zoom for a year while grown-ups across the world denied, debated and dithered until finally, they could scream out "Just because you find that life's not fair, it doesn't mean that you just have

to grin and bear it, If you always take it on the chin and wear it, Nothing will change!"

Sounds like it could be a Roald Dahl story, doesn't it? I was there Tuesday night for the children's re-emergence on the Park Playhouse Stage where they are playing "Matilda," adapted from a Dahl book by Dennis Kelly with music and lyrics by Tim Minchin. "Matilda" is a sweet, quiet, unassuming good girl who just wants to read her books but she's born into a family of freaks. Her mother is obsessed with her dance lessons with Rodolfo and tells Matilda she's an argument for population control.

Her father is a used-car salesman who misgenders her and tells her she would learn more from the telly, even has a song extolling it. She gets sent away to a dreadful school for her book reading and begins to grow telekinetic powers that will be useful in her salvation.

Matilda is played by two actors on alternating nights and I saw Molly Engelhardt who could not have been more persuasive or determined in her resolute goodness as Matilda. Her mother was hysterically played by Claire Flynn as the most desperate housewife you have ever come across. Unrecognizable from

SLOC's Mary Poppins and all to the good. Our musical Meryl. Her father was Jason Soranno who has a great, limber walk and joy in all the horrible things he gets to do. His awful solo "All I know" was served to the audience with a spoon and we ate it up. Their son is played catatonically by Daniel Jantson. Mom's dance teacher Rudolpho is Roan Butterfield and he is most expressive with his hips.

Off at school, Miss Honey is Matilda's teacher, and a more shining example of nurturing, beneficence could not be found than in Elizabeth McGovern's sweet portrait, worthy of all Matilda's

hugs. There's also great relief from the abuse rained down on Matilda and the students by the stories Matilda tells the librarian, Mrs. Phelps, sweetly played by Grace Van Bowen. Finally, towering over the rest of the company is Chris Frazier's Miss Trunchbull. A figure of implacable force and spite Frazier plays Trunchbull with a deadpan commitment and not a hint of camp. Her abuse and physical threats are all the more serious if one can never truly forget the ridiculous character they emanate from. It's a great performance.

This Dickensian world of mistreated children

("Nicholas Nickleby" gets a shout out!) who rise up and sing power-pop anthems like "Revoltin' Children" is right up my alley. I enjoyed Dahl very much as a child and this musical has done well by his stark contrast of good and evil with "When I Grow Up" ably providing much-needed comfort. Here, Kirchner uses seesaws and other playground games with a daisy chain snaking through as the song builds. It's a sweet respite and I nearly wish it were longer. All of the children deserve huge props for sticking with this show and making it to opening night. The children's group

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### Matilda

numbers at school have a charged excitement especially punctuated with JJ Razzano's flips. I hope it's as much fun for them to perform as it is to watch.

It's directed with great energy, invention, and traffic control by Chuck Kraus, musical direction by Brandon Jones, and the sound in the Park, designed by Tommy Rosati, was beautiful Tuesday night. The rocking band was led by Brian Axford. Great, spiky, angular, and muscular choreography by Ashley-Simone Kirchner. The set was by Sam Reilly with its grim labyrinth of dark sewer holes, prison gates, and see-saws for "When I Grow Up." Eye-catching costumes which included public school uniforms and the family of grotesqueries were by Hollie Wooldridge and Katherine Scott.

"Matilda" is an explosively imaginative call for children's empowerment to stand for what's right. I feel better just knowing that's playing in the Park for the next week and a half. Here's to Revolting Children!

The production runs through Saturday, Aug. 14.

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## MUSIC REVIEW

### Album Review: Bridge Street Revival's Self-titled EP

By **LUCAS GARRETT**  
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**BETHLEHEM** — Last month, Bridge Street Revival released its self-titled debut EP. What made this band interesting was that it's largely fronted by young, talented singers.

Halley Pascucci, Jenna Snyder and Logan Gonzalez dish out well-performed vocals nicely supported by the backing band, comprised of Chris Dollard on piano and keyboards, Jim Staats

on acoustic guitar, Tom Keller on acoustic and lead guitars, Pete Vumbaco on drums and percussion, Tim Keenan on bass, and Rikk Anderson on steel guitar.

While the tunes were all fairly straightforward, the production value on this EP was definitely noted and worth mention. As a guitarist, I thoroughly enjoyed listening to some of the tones that Keller coaxed out of his instrument, as well as the solos that were sprinkled throughout the album. On top of this, the album was extremely well-mixed and everything stood out clearly.

Largely reminiscent of old gospel records, Bridge Street Revival has crafted an album that gives

younger folks the spotlight. In an industry that is flooded with tons of adult artists, it was nice to hear kids get the chance to show their musical talents as well. Armed with a positive religious message, and songs that are steeped in styles of rock, and country, Bridge Street Revival has released an album that, despite its potentially niche market, will surely be enjoyed time and time again by those who are fans of the genre.

You can listen to this album on streaming services such as Spotify, Apple Music, and Amazon. For those that want to catch the talent of these young singers live, you can see them perform next at the Great Schaghticoke

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