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Bethlehem to hit the polls

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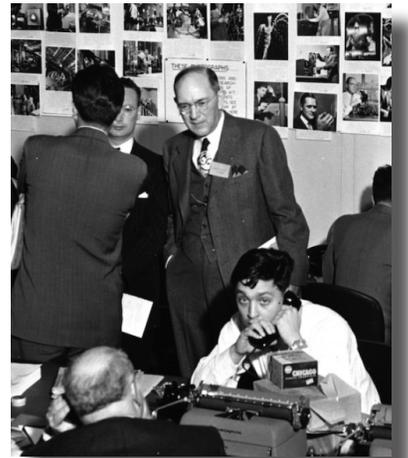
**BETHLEHEM** — Two Town Board seats, the Town Justice and the Town Supervisor are fighting to keep their jobs this November — plus voters will decide whether or not to allow Town Hall to continue pursuing its disputed Complete Streets project for Delaware Avenue.

Bethlehem Town Supervisor David VanLuven speaks as Republican challenger Paul Heiser waits his turn at our recent political forum. Election Day is this Tuesday, Nov. 2

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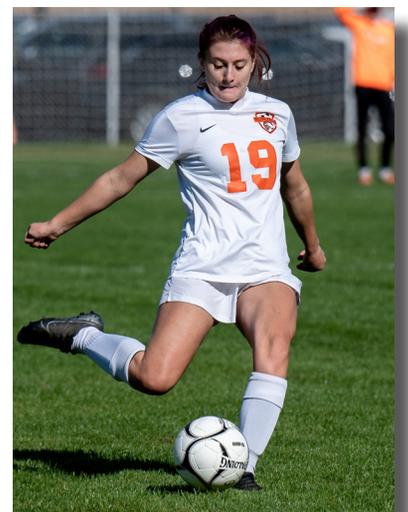


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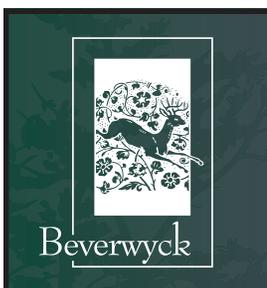
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EDUCATION

Voters OK \$40.7M project

DELMAR — Voters approved Bethlehem Central's \$40.7 million capital project promised to provide facilities improvements at all of the district's schools on Tuesday, Oct. 19.

Approximately 71 percent of the 2,827 voters approved a measure school administrators promised would be funded through a combination of state aid and capital reserves.

"Thank you to our BC community for turning out today to support this project," said Superintendent Jody Monroe. "Maintaining, modernizing and improving our facilities is essential to our mission. Many elements of this plan are designed to improve student opportunities within all four of our core district values of academics, character, community and wellness.

Construction is expected to take place in 2023 and 2024. A complete list of projects can be found online.

"We are always grateful for the show of support and it is important that our students see it for themselves, especially as they carry on through the pandemic," said Monroe. "All students will benefit from the passage of this capital project."

GCS D mourns loss of administrator

GUILDERLAND — Dr. Demian Singleton, a longtime Guilderland Central

School District teacher, administrator and colleague, died on Monday, Oct. 18.

School administrators shared the news with the district the following day on Tuesday, Oct. 19.

"We are profoundly saddened by the passing of Dr. Singleton," said Superintendent of Schools Dr. Marie Wiles. "Not just a colleague, but a friend as well, Demian touched every corner of GCS D. His vision, commitment, and unparalleled work ethic has helped shape Guilderland into the institution it is today. Demian made a real difference, which is something we all aspire to do. He will be greatly missed."

Singleton had a long and outstanding career at the Guilderland. He joined the district in 1996 as a seventh grade science teacher at Farnsworth Middle School, later becoming an Instructional Administrator for Math, Science and Technology, and then Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction.

"In difficult times like these, we wish to support our students, faculty and staff," the district shared in an online statement. "Our counselors, school psychologists and social workers are available in each of our buildings to provide support to anyone who might need assistance."

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## ■ EDUCATION

Selkirk Board of Education will continue holding virtual student recognition awards nights for the remaining three school buildings over the next few months. These awards will recognize the outstanding achievements of our students.

The dates for each of the schools recognitions are as follows:

A.W. Becker Elementary: Wednesday, Nov. 17, at 7 p.m.

Pieter B. Coeymans Elementary: Wednesday, Dec. 15, at 7 p.m.

The High School Recognition Awards Night has Oct. 6. and the middle school's was Oct. 20.

Students will receive their awards during the school day, and families will be able to tune into the Board of Education Meeting through our Livestream where a picture of their child with their award will be shown.

### Six BC musicians among NYS top

**DELMAR** — Six Bethlehem Central High School students were distinguished as some of the best student musicians in New York state.

Four have been invited to showcase their talents last week as part of the New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA) All-State Conference in Rochester

and two have been selected as alternates.

The six were among the student musicians from the high school whose high marks on NYSSMA solo performances last spring helped earn them recognition among New York's top instrumentalists and vocalists. The selection process for an All-State musician includes teacher recommendations, in addition to top audition scores at the NYSSMA

solo evaluations.

Bethlehem students named as All-State Musicians include Orin Carlson-Lee (Bass), Grade 11; Daniel Jantson (Baritone, voice), – Grade 12; Ryan Kegg (Bassoon), Grade 12; and William Wu (Cello), Grade 11.

All-State alternates include Peyton Roach (Viola), Grade 11; and Michael Xie (Cello), Grade 12.



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## ■ EDUCATION

# The gift of helping young voices sing

RCS's Kermit Wamsley hits all the right notes

By LIZA FRENETTE  
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**RAVENA** — When Kermit Wamsley snaps his fingers, a lot of people snap to attention.

That's because he's a middle school band director, calling budding musicians and singers to action. He's also front and center as a director for the all-male Electric City Chorus, an a cappella group that lifts spirits in its performances while raising money for charities and for music scholarships for students.

"It's just helping out. That's the way I was raised," said Wamsley, a member of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Teachers Association. "There needs to be a lot more of making people smile."

Wamsley's own smile is abundant. He cannot contain it when he talks, or when he steps on stage, as he did in early October for the chorus' first live



Kermit Wamsley, pictured here as he directs the all-male Electric City Chorus, is best known locally by Ravena Coeyman Selkirk students and families for his contributions as its band director for 16 years.

Liza Frenette

performance in 18 months, due to the pandemic. The Electric City Chorus performed at the Round Lake Auditorium, singing everything from patriotic songs to "Sweet Caroline." Proceeds went to help fund maintenance and

repair at the National Historic Landmark.

Joining the group of singers was a spontaneous decision. He was shopping in a Capital District mall one day when he saw the chorus performing. A

sign informed people that the chorus welcomed new members. Wamsley walked up to the risers, stepped up, and began singing right then. In 2018, he became front-line director of the chorus, which was formed in 1944.

"I love harmony. I grew up singing hymns," he said.

The chorus is structured on four-part harmony, and Wamsley can sing in all four ranges. The group performs at nursing homes and senior centers in the Capital District, and is the finish line performance for the annual telethon held by the Center for Disability Services. They also perform at fundraisers and charity events.

While they sometimes perform for a stipend, Wamsley said the money goes to help pay for their expenses, their annual variety show, holiday shows and money for student scholarships.

The Electric City Chorus takes part in Youth in Harmony, providing a teaching quartet to perform in schools, educate students about a cappella singing,

and answer questions.

"A cappella singing has become very popular," Wamsley said. "We give scholarships to deserving young students to attend Harmony Explosion Camps."

Each year about 30 members of the chorus go out in groups of four as barbershop quartets for hire on Valentine's Day. These singing Valentines lend their voices to love songs, performing in the work place, or on the front steps of homes. Wamsley said the money raised is used for donations to Habitat for Humanity.

Wamsley has been a school band director for 35 years; first in Taconic Hills, then in South Carolina, and for 16 years in Ravena.

"The best part of the job is seeing the growth of young musicians. Middle school is when I see them take off and grow," he said.

*This feature was originally published by New York State United Teachers at nysut.org.*

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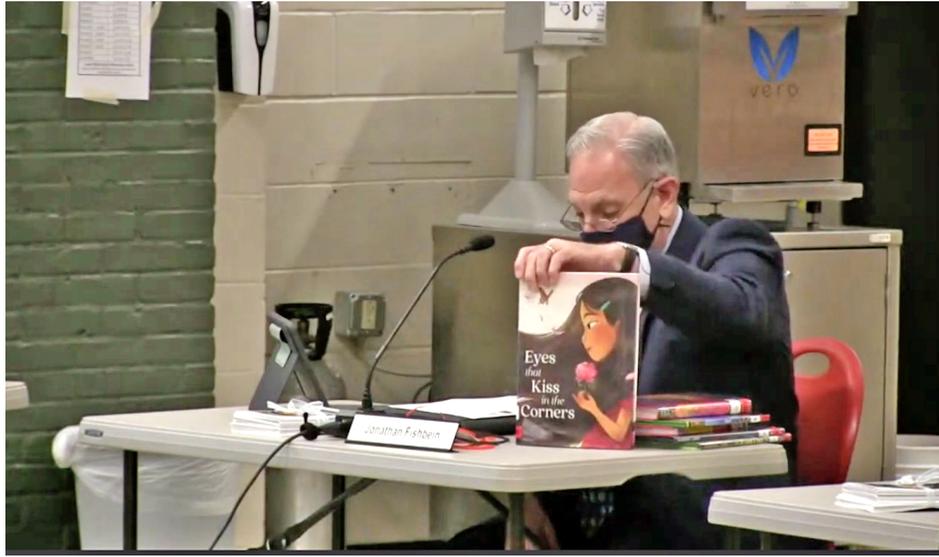
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EDUCATION

# Board of Ed loses chance to educate



Bethlehem Central School Board member Jonathan Fishbein holds up a copy of Joanna Ho's "Eyes That Kiss in the Corners." The best-selling book is about a young Taiwanese girl who initially grows envious of her friend's eyes.

YouTube

School board member drops pejorative term as colleagues share book titles covering racism, cultural awareness

By MICHAEL HALLISEY  
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**DELMAR** — A Bethlehem Central School Board member used a pejorative term during its Wednesday night meeting to explain the plot of a children's book whose main character is a young Taiwanese girl.

Bethlehem administrators set aside time to recognize its members as part of New York State School Boards Association School Board Recognition Week on Oct. 20. Board members presented stacks of books of which they had chosen from a predetermined list that would later be donated in each of their names to various schools within the district.

Board members selected from a common theme of topics that included racism and cultural awareness from critically acclaimed books, some of which have been listed on the New York Times Best Sellers' list. It was apparent through the evening that board members did not read some

of the material. The reading levels ranged through each grade level; between kindergarten and 12th grade.

Jonathan Fishbein shared details from his books to be donated to Hamagrael Elementary. Among the six titles he chose was Joanna Ho's "Eyes That Kiss in the Corners." The best-selling author, who is Chinese and is vice principal of her San Francisco high school, shares the story about a young Taiwanese girl who notices her eyes look different from her friends.

"Eyes That Kiss in the Corners' is about a young Oriental girl who notices that her eyes are different than her peers," Fishbein explained, "and through her mother and other powerful women her life she learns to really appreciate that her eyes are different, that they are beautiful, and it brings her a great sense of beauty in honor of herself and self-empowerment. It's a wonderful book. I hope every girl in the school gets to read it."

The term Oriental derives from the Latin word meaning East, which is a reference to East Asia and its place within the British Empire. When used to identify people of Chinese, Japanese or Korean descent, it is widely considered a derogatory term. Once commonly used, school administrators and

government officials have since phased it out from use in curriculums, documents and legislation for being offensive.

"Talking about how racism is not just an issue for just Black people, but how it is painful for our entire country and all of us, and how it affects not only the dysfunction of our democracy, but also it's a moral crisis for all of us," said Meredith Moriarty, as the board member described "The Sum of Us," a book by New York Times Best Selling author Heather McGhee that will soon circulate from the high school library.

"It looks like a really powerful book," she said. "I wrote all these [titles] down and I'm looking forward to reading them."

The top-ranked district often rates among the best in the area. In the past year, its schools have topped lists accumulated by the *Albany Business Review*, *Niche.com* and *U.S. News and World Report* based on student performance and college preparedness.

The lack of diversity within Bethlehem Central, and the community in which it resides, is often criticized, too. Each of the seven school board members is White. That fact nearly mirrors the demographics of its community where more than 90 (91.4) percent of

town residents are White according to a 2019 survey conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau. More diversity is reflected in the district's enrollment figures. Based on the state Education Department, 84 percent of its 4,336 students are White. Students who are Asian or

Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander represent its next largest cohort at 7 percent.

No one appeared to correct Fishbein in Wednesday night's meeting. Inquiries to board members are limited to a general email account assigned to the board. According to

the district website, policy forbids individual members to speak on its behalf. Press inquiries are directed to the aforementioned email address or its communication's department.

Bethlehem Central was approached but failed to return with a comment.

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## TOWN HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT RACE

# Both choices can speak from experience

**M**arc Dorsey is running for his second term as Bethlehem Highway Superintendent.

The COVID-19 pandemic struck within months of Dorsey's first term at the helm. He credits his military and emergency response training for giving him the foresight in moving forward.

"The goal my first year was to hit the ground running," Dorsey said. "[However,] the pandemic made the highway department completely rethink every task that would have been routine to keep the employees safe yet still provide services."

The pandemic also caused staffing shortages for the Highway Department. In previous years, the department would obtain seasonal staff through



**DORSEY (D)**

the Glenmont Job Corps, but that resource wasn't available. Where the department would supplement staff of four to six job corps students along with 12 to 14 part-time hires, Dorsey said they were only able to obtain four. Nonetheless, the highway czar said his staff department paved 12 miles of road — double the number of miles paved in 2018 — enabling the town

to bring in over \$500,000 in state funding.

Seasonal leaf pickup was sandwiched between two massive storms that impacted Dorsey's crew last year. In October, they were faced with the herculean task of clearing two years worth of brush and fallen trees from a rare windstorm.

"We were able to clear the town with loose leaves before one of the largest snowstorms in the history of the town," Dorsey said. "The highway department literally worked night and day to make our streets and sidewalks safe."

Other highlights of Dorsey's first two years on the job includes installing just under 1,500 feet of new sidewalk in 2020, paving over 17 miles of new blacktop road in 2021, and recouping over \$600,000 of state funding.

— Michael Hallisey

**J**ohn "Tiger" Anastasi was Bethlehem Highway Superintendent before, and may have feel victim to party line voting after New York State forced Independence Party candidates to choose Republican or Democrat.

Anastasi is owner and CEO of a residential/commercial construction development company. The experience he draws from that experience enables him to navigate through contract reviews, purchase equipment, develop long-term strategic plans and prepare budgets.

Voters had rewarded Anastasi the highway superintendent job after a successful campaign in 2017. During his tenure, he said he prepared budgets working closely with the town comptroller, and ensured that spending



**ANASTASI (R)**

was on track. From the garage, Anastasi said he brought work back from contractors to town employees, teaching highway workers new job skills and saving the town funds by not outsourcing work.

Anastasi cites leadership and communication skills as essential tools to maintain a well-run

and effective highway department.

During Marc Dorsey's term, he has often shared the lengths in which he has paved roads and installed new sidewalks, each of which at a higher rate than his predecessor. In the two years, Anastasi remained quiet. Tiger ran in 2019 under the Republican Party line and barely lost to Dorsey, then a newcomer.

"A lot has changed in the highway department in the past two years since I've been gone, and sadly not for the better," he said. "We successfully installed much needed sidewalks throughout the town while still maintaining the roads that needed repaving, and staying within our budget. Can Mr. Dorsey say the same after going over budget by close to \$200,000?"

— Michael Hallisey

## TOWN JUSTICE RACE

# Familiar names return on ballot under Town Justice

**A**ndy Kirby has served as a Bethlehem Town Justice since 2014, and takes pride in how well it runs.

During his seven years on the bench, Kirby has handled over 30,000 criminal, vehicle and traffic, landlord/tenant, and small claims cases. He has worked with and earned the respect of local and state law enforcement, the Albany County District Attorney's office, the Albany County Public Defenders' office, as well as the many local criminal defense attorneys who regularly appear in court.

"The Bethlehem Justice Court is one of the busiest town courts in New York," he said, "and it typically receives compliments from the attorneys and their clients on how well it functions in a fair, timely and efficient manner."

During the last several years, Kirby has



**KIRBY (D)**

implemented the many significant and important changes to the New York criminal justice laws, which have impacted every aspect of Bethlehem Town Court. He said he did so "in the best manner possible, by considering the unique needs and concerns of our community."

This is particularly true during the COVID-19 pandemic. To mitigate the virus' spread, Kirby worked with other Bethlehem

Town officials, the Bethlehem Town Police, other law enforcement agencies, and the legal community to ensure the safety of everyone appearing in Bethlehem Town Court, without sacrificing the core function of providing fair and equal justice.

In addition to his judicial experience, Judge Kirby is a nationally recognized trial attorney and maintains a private law practice at the law firm of Conway & Kirby, which is located at the Four Corners in the center of town. As a small business owner, Judge Kirby manages attorneys, paralegals, and support staff daily. He regularly handles some of the most difficult types of cases and appears before various courts and juries throughout New York State. His extensive civil trial experience helps him as a Town Justice, particularly when he presides over jury trials in Bethlehem Town Court.

**C**olin Dwyer was born and raised in Bethlehem, and was involved with the St. Thomas Youth Group and Habitat for Humanity growing up and joined many of my fellow Bethlehem residents in traveling to various places in need for Habitat for Humanity.

Dwyer graduated Siena College in 2005. He earned a Juris Doctorate from Albany Law School in 2009; and, has been practicing in the Albany area since his admission to the New York State bar. He is currently with Cooper, Erving & Savage, LLP.

Dwyer began his legal career with his father, former Bethlehem Town Justice Paul Dwyer, at their law firm of Dwyer & Dwyer. Their practice handled many cases, focusing on criminal defense and civil litigation. He was entrusted with



**DWYER (R)**

the representation of thousands of clients and he has have been to town, village and city courts throughout New York State since the beginning of his practice.

Dwyer said this extensive experience has given him a unique insight into how a town court is run. He also expressed confidence in his ability to handle the workload, as he already handles hundreds of cases at a time.

"I know this will be invaluable in my public service to the Town of Bethlehem," Dwyer said, adding that his practice has always been focused primarily on the issues handled in town courts. "I have obtained a wealth of knowledge from my father ... I watched him preside in our Town Court for 10 years and the reverence the residents of Bethlehem had for him set an example of judicial fairness that I hope to emulate."

Dwyer said the most important part of being a Town Justice is to carefully take the time to consider both sides of any dispute and to give complete attention and effort to each and every case.

"The Bethlehem Town Justice has that enormous responsibility to its residents and it's something that I take very seriously," Dwyer said.

## ■ POLITICS

# A jagged road divided by ideas

The details surrounding the town's hottest topic:  
Delaware Avenue Complete Streets Road Diet

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**  
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**DELMAR** — Fewer topics have made more headlines than the proposed \$5.2 million Delaware Avenue Complete Streets and Road Diet referendum that's to go before town voters as Proposition 6 on Tuesday, Nov. 2.

In December, 2017, the Town Board considered the findings of the study and input from residents and businesses, and voted to move forward with the complete streets project. In 2019, the town was awarded a federal grant for \$2.91 million to complete design work and to cover a portion of the construction costs. The state Department of Transportation also committed \$1.56 million for paving. The town will cover 20 percent (\$728,000) of the \$5.2 million total cost for the 1.3 mile long project.

As it will read on the ballot, Proposition 6 will ask voters;

*Shall the bond resolution adopted by the Town Board, Town of Bethlehem on July 28, 2021, authorizing the Town of Bethlehem to (a) undertake the Delaware Avenue Complete Streets and Road Diet Project, at a maximum estimated cost not to exceed \$5,200,000, and (b) finance such Project by the issuance of bonds and/or notes of the Town in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$5,200,000, with such amount anticipated to be partially offset by the receipt of federal and state grants, and other sources of funds, currently estimated to equal approximately \$4,472,000, be approved?*

A yes vote would accept the \$2.9 million grant. A no vote would reject the \$2.9 million grant. There would still be major construction directed to upgrading the underground pipes and repaving the road, but there would be no safety improvements to the road design, sidewalks or

crosswalks.

Arguments over its merits and determinants grew to a fervor as the matter of approving state and federal funds for the project came to a head this year. The idea of introducing a road diet to Delaware Plaza was first floated during John Clarkson's administration. In 2016, the concept under a Complete Streets model based on federal transportation policy often referred to as a road diet.

Road diets reduce the number of lanes reserved for motorists to address several more issues surrounding the immediate neighborhood — increase safety, build up aesthetics, or accommodate pedestrians and bicyclists.

The current four-lane stretch of Delaware Avenue is a result of an expansion project from sixty years ago. Pockets of Bethlehem were booming with residential development. At the same time, the high school and several of the district's elementary schools moved and expanded to accommodate the influx of people. In 30 years, the town population more than doubled from 9,800 people in 1940 to 23,000 in 1970.

There are five traffic patterns that have been discussed for the 1.3-mile corridor between the Albany City Line and Elsmere Avenue.

One involves a full "1-1-1" road diet that reduces the traffic pattern to two opposing lanes accompanied by a turning lane.

The second, least spoken of, concept is a "half corridor" diet that proposes a divide at Delaware Plaza, where reduced traffic lanes would be introduced on one side, and four lanes would remain on the other.

The next two patterns, a "2-1-1" model, allows for two traffic lanes flowing in the same direction on one side, and one lane on the other, with an



**A pedestrian walks across Delaware Avenue outside of a crosswalk. Outside of the traffic signals at Elsmere Avenue and Delaware Plaza, there are no crosswalks. Both sides arguing over the proposed Complete Streets agree improvements. However, those wishing against a full road diet are hesitant to vote yes to Proposition 6.**

Michael Hallisey / Spotlight News

accompanying turn lane.

The final option is to keep the present traffic pattern.

The traffic pattern has yet to be decided and won't be until after another engineering assessment is made.

In recent meetings, a 1-1-1 pattern involving two traffic lanes and a bike lane has been lobbied by residents who live off the roadway. Business owners seeking a compromise away from the full road diet have pushed for a 2-1-1 pattern.

## Players

The most vocal voices clamoring on either side are the residents who live just off Delaware Avenue and the business owners who work there.

On October 15, a group of Bethlehem business owners fired a press campaign against Proposition 6. The list comprised 37 businesses, including Delaware Plaza and My Place and Company.

My Place and Company co-owner Jim Giacone has involved himself in the

discussion since the first public forum was held at Town Hall in 2017. Since then he has appeared before Town Board in several meetings to push for a 2-1-1 traffic pattern. He and other business owners have said they fear a road diet will choke potential customers away.

"It was never political," he said.

They continue to argue that Delaware Avenue is not a residential street, it is a commuter corridor under which businesses have established themselves since the roadways expanded to four lanes in the 60s. Reducing lanes now, they say, will cause traffic congestion and lead to motorists to choose alternative routes and flood neighboring residential streets.

Deborah Nolan Murray, managing director of Delaware Plaza, recalled how the 2000 Normanskill Landslide that led to Delaware Avenue being closed between the Albany City Line and the plaza affected businesses. In the six months the road was

closed, businesses reported losses between 40 to 60 percent. Her family, who has owned the plaza for more than 40 years, is "very concerned" with the full road diet.

"I wonder if it affects all these businesses, are you going to be okay sharing that tax burden with everybody also in the town of Bethlehem?" she asked. "I know what we pay for property tax, and school tax. So, is that going to shift as well?"

Supervisor David VanLuven said he has met with business owners and listened to their concerns several times in the five years. He contends that documentation supports commercial success in the communities that have adopted the Complete Streets model, and that it's only a "small group" that opposes the proposition.

Over the summer, Bethlehem Community Streets established itself online as a community organization by launching social media channels and a corresponding website. Organizers have since

shared a continuous visual presentation supporting the road diet referendum with testimonials, videos and diagrams. A spokesperson for the organization has described it as "a group of people (residents, not electeds) who are working on this as a collaborative effort."

The website educates visitors on the proposed 1-1-1 road diet concept through a video, demonstrating how it would work on Delaware Avenue. It shares diagrams borrowed from the 2017 feasibility study from Creighton Manning Engineering, and testimonials collected from residents sharing harrowing stories of automobile accidents and wishes for safer streets.

Since the website's launch, it has garnered support from local groups including Capital Bicycle Racing Club, Bethlehem Healthy Kids, and the Bethlehem Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee. Individual support is documented as well

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■ DAVID VANLUVEN FOR SUPERVISOR

# People provide town services

Since his first day as town supervisor, David VanLuven has tried to impress upon residents that it's people who provide them services, not the town.

This November, the two-term supervisor is seeking yet another two years after a resume of results that include delivering fiscally responsible budgets; creating a new, 147-acre Normans Kill Ravines natural parks; launching a community-based process for updating our Comprehensive Plan; and bringing the community and police together to envision a more modern approach to policing and addressing systemic racism.

And he insists that polarized politics is not a focus of his. On the local level, it's the results that matter.

"When I wake up in the morning the radio news often accosts me with non-stop negativity that has beset our politics at the national level," he said. "It's depressing. It's demoralizing. It can be infuriating. And in many cases, it leaves us feeling powerless. Then I go to work and I see my neighbors and I get my perspective back at the local level."

VanLuven joined the Town Board in January 2016, and was elected town supervisor just over a year later. He previously served on the Bethlehem Comprehensive Plan Assessment Committee and the Citizens Advisory Committee on Conservation.

Professionally, VanLuven spent 20 years leading a variety of programs with nonprofits and state agencies, including directing the NY Natural Heritage Program in the state Department of Environmental Conservation, and launching The Nature Conservancy's Hudson River Estuary Program. In these roles, he built strong teams, navigated shifting politics, managed complex budgets, and raised millions through grants and appropriations. More recently, he worked as a strategic planning consultant for nonprofit organizations and government agencies throughout the Northeast.

Just as in his professional career, VanLuven's political life has been defined by a push to preserve open space and farmland in Bethlehem. Over the last 4 years, we've protected more farmland and green spaces than the Town conserved in the previous 25 years combined. This included purchasing 69 acres to create the 147-acre Normans Kill Ravines nature park in Delmar and Elsmere, and partnering with Scenic Hudson to add 21 acres to Henry Hudson Park in Selkirk.

The international push for sustainability and climate change mitigation has been localized through Bethlehem Town Hall. His administration installed electric vehicle charging stations at three town parking lots, and started transitioning the town fleet to cleaner vehicles. And with help from Albany, he claims success after working hard to land a new multi-million dollar offshore wind tower manufacturing facility, which will create more than 300 jobs. The next step is to take action on the proposed Complete Streets project for Delaware Avenue.

"We are neighbors first and foremost," he said. "Members of a community who all want pretty much the same things and who are willing to work together to achieve them." — Michael Hallisey



VANLUVEN (D)

### Key views:

- Services continued unabated during pandemic
- Protecting Farms & Green Spaces
- Leading on Sustainability & Climate Change
- Building Equity & Justice
- Complete Streets = Safer Streets

■ MAUREEN CUNNINGHAM FOR TOWN BOARD

# Champion for equity

Democrat Town Board Incumbent Maureen Cunningham said she seeks her second term so that she continue her work.

"I'm running for reelection so we can continue to be a model of excellence; by protecting open spaces and encouraging smart growth, standing for equity and justice for all, supporting our local economy, and focusing on green energy and sustainability, accessible and complete streets and climate resiliency," she said.

Her list of accomplishments include securing funding for three electric vehicle charging stations with no net cost to the town, establishing a "common sense" licensing program for vape shops preserving hundred of acres of farm and open lands and her involvement with police reform.

"Which we are still implementing," she said.

Cunningham previously served as a board member on the Bethlehem Youth Court, the town's Conservation Easement Review Board, Local Waterfront

Revitalization Advisory Group, Open Space Working Group, and Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee.

She also served on the Friends of Five Rivers Board of Directors for several years and led several PTA initiatives at Hamagrael Elementary School while her sons were students there, including launching their popular Walk to School and Bike to School events.

Cunningham currently serves as the Deputy Director of Water and Senior Strategic Advisor for the Environmental Policy Innovation Center, a nonprofit organization dedicated to building policies that improve the speed and scale of conservation, where she works on ensuring clean water for all by prioritizing equity, public health and innovative financing.

She's been a town resident since 2008, living with her husband, Paul, and two teenage sons in Delmar.

— Michael Hallisey



CUNNINGHAM (D)

### Key views:

- Push to rehire open space coordinator to work with Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy.
- Ensure Town Code includes inclusive, sustainable living for affordable housing.
- Green, sustainable living.
- Continue to push for diversity with new town hires.
- Yes to Prop 6.

■ DAVID DECANCIO FOR TOWN BOARD

# A sense of civic duty

Call David DeCancio a political newcomer, maybe, but he's been visible to the community for 20 years.

For the past two decades DeCancio has involved himself with several endeavors that include helping his local fire department's attempt at landing a new fire house in Selkirk, working as a trustee on the town's Zoning Board of Appeals, volunteering with Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited and organizing with Bethlehem First Night.

In 2018 David was the recipient of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce Community Spirit Award for his commitment to our community and extensive volunteerism.

"Through my two decades of volunteer work, I have built lasting relationships with so many wonderful people from all walks of life," DeCancio said. "And these relationships have shown me that despite our differences in ideologies, we all have one thing in common — Bethlehem — and

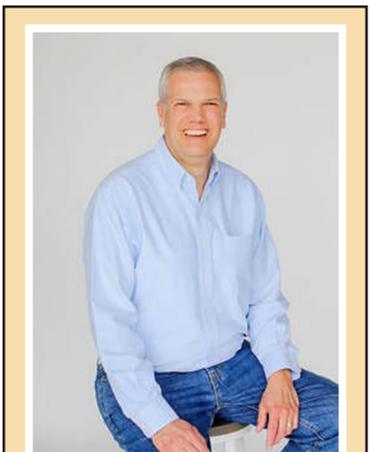
how we all want our town to be the best place to live, raise kids, pursue our dreams, own a small business and retire."

A Selkirk resident running as a Democrat, DeCancio has the potential of breaking what some residents have described as a Delmar-centric Town Board.

The son of Cuban refugees, the challenger said he is focused on making reimagining town government by making it more accessible, efficient and transparent. He has pledged to use his platform to encourage inclusive dialog that helps bridge the gaps and promote fairness and respect to everyone.

He's an accomplished public policy and communication strategist with out 28 years of experience in the state Legislature and the Office of the Governor. He has served various senior level positions and currently works as Senior Advisor to state Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie.

— Michael Hallisey



DECANCIO (D)

### Key views:

- Develop agritourism initiatives to preserve farmland.
- Affordable housing projects need walkability, mass transit.
- Yes to Prop 6.
- Pilot programs to test various traffic calming measures.
- Work with Albany County to help police Rail Trail.

■ JIM CARRIERO FOR TOWN BOARD

# Town needs balance

Jim Carriero has along career in finance but his life lessons started while living in public housing.

The Bethlehem Republican Committee was blasted earlier this summer when what appeared to be a party platform against affordable housing was posted across social media. The tone deaf manifest was uploaded in error by a student intern, but not before it was widely criticized by the public.

“I grew up in public housing,” he said. “I was with people who were poor. They were Black. They were Hispanic. They were poor Whites. Life was not easy and I’ve learned to love these people.”

After more than 30 years working for KeyBank, Carriero retired having served in leadership positions overseeing commercial, retail, business and private banking. He has since aided programs to assist inner city students prepare for job and college interviews.

Carriero’s draws from his financial background when

providing ideas on how to tackle community issues such as preserving open space and introducing affordable housing. For starters, he said the town did little to help local farmers. The comprehensive property reassessment in 2014 hampered farmers to the point that “most” farms are being sold. He sees the same lack of foresight surrounding Delaware Avenue and the road diet.

“The strategy that has been used has disqualified an awful lot of people who have a vested interest [in our town],” he said, adding that he’s concerned the road diet will choke off businesses, and divert traffic to residential streets not built for such a flow for motorists.

Carriero also points to state strategies that offer tax benefits to farms and families who intend to preserve open lands. Banks also offer credits for entities looking to invest towards affordable housing, but such endeavors require town leadership.

— Michael Hallisey



CARRIERO (R)

**Key views:**

- Help landowners, businesses obtain tax credits, incentives.
- Financial entities can help bring in affordable housing.
- Provide police with resources they need for enforcement.
- Seeks balance on Town Board.
- No to Prop 6.

■ JIM FOSTER FOR TOWN BOARD

# A voice of reason

Jim Foster has served as the lone Republican on the five-seat Town Board the past four years, and he hopes to continue providing a political balance in local government.

Foster’s interests are to the town, not the national scene, and has said he has no aspirations of seeking a seat outside of Bethlehem. Instead, he wants to continue being a “sanity check” and promote honesty and integrity in Town Hall.

“For the past three years and change, I’ve had the honor of serving our community, in my hometown, on the Town Board,” Foster said.

Foster has broken rank several times during his first term. He voted against the 12-month development moratorium, which has been challenged several times since. His no vote to push an affordable housing project for Selkirk came before public outcry against placing it in

the Ravena Coeymans Selkirk district. Another no vote to replace the Elm Avenue Park’s dive pool with slides preceded protests, too.

Foster has served as a senior auditor at UHY Advisors, where he was entrusted with top secret security clearance. Most recently he joined Dowling Law, PLLC in Albany, providing legal counsel to corporate clients, not-for-profits and small business.

Foster also sits on the Advisory Council of the Bethlehem YMCA and Board of Directors of the Elsmere Fire Department.

“It’s a duty and a privilege to serve the entire community,” said Foster. “Not just a select few. Not just the loudest voices or the most popular. We may agree or disagree, but we must always listen to one another.”

— Michael Hallisey



FOSTER (R)

**Key views:**

- Establish partnerships with landowners to preserve space.
- Affordable housing starts at revising planning process.
- Provide police with resources they need for enforcement.
- Government should not act alone.
- No to Prop 6.

■ PAUL HEISER FOR SUPERVISOR

# Different approach needed in Town Hall

Paul Heiser can just about say he’s a lifelong resident of Bethlehem — his family moved here when he was a toddler, and he’s stayed here ever since.

“I love this town. I’ve made many good friends here and have accumulated many great memories,” he said. “That’s why it pains me to see a number of indicators that show things are going sideways here in town.”

Heiser threw his hat into the ring as the Republican candidate for Bethlehem Town Supervisor in February. Since that time, he’s been visible at Town Board meetings and spoken out against the proposed Delaware Avenue Complete Streets project. He said he’s concerned how it will impact business and divert traffic to residents roads in established neighborhoods surrounding the corridor. He’s gone as far as to say Town Board isn’t listening to those speaking out against it.

“The Town Board is known for its secrecy and lack of transparency,” he said, adding that he’d rather see “more reasonable upgrades” such as reduced speed limits and additional crosswalks. “There are many in this town who believe their voices aren’t being heard and that the current board doesn’t really care to know what their concerns are.”

Heiser is also proposing a ward-system of government to address concerns residents outside of Delmar have made about a perceived lack of representation in Town Hall. All of the present Town Board members live within the Delmar zip code. Instead, he’d like to see a representative from each hamlet.

The newcomer expresses himself as a strong proponent for the police department. Though the police department has made recent hires, there are proposals that have been made under the police report initiative that have not yet been introduced. Most notably is the introduction to body cameras, something the police department supported for its officers. It’s a concern for him, he said, as he reads law enforcement statistics.

Citing figures from the Division of Criminal Justice Services, violent crime in Bethlehem increased by 54 percent from 2017 to 2019. In that time, he said he blames Democrats for neglecting staffing numbers and not providing enough resources.

Heiser is the senior research analyst for the New York State School Boards Association. In his more than 22 years with NYSSBA, he has been involved in researching and analyzing issues related to pre-K through 12 public education and advocating for school boards. Prior to his work with NYSSBA, he was a legislative analyst for former State Sen. Stephen Saland.

After attaining a bachelor’s degree from the State University of New York College at Oneonta and a master’s degree from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, he returned to the community in which he grew up. He continues to have deep connections with the community, including being active in St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church.

“I grew up in Bethlehem and want to see it become a prosperous, business-friendly and financially stable town once again,” Heiser said, “but it will take a different approach than what is currently offered by the current town leadership. When elected, I will work to represent all residents, regardless of party.”

— Michael Hallisey



HEISER (R)

**Key views:**

- Work to improve services.
- Government transparency.
- Advocates for equal representation, ward-system.
- Proponent for increased resources to Bethlehem Police.
- No to Prop 6.



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## POLITICS

# Dorsey named in ethics complaint

Bethlehem highway czar denies wrongdoing in ethics review

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**

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**DELMAR** — Highway Superintendent Marc Dorsey called a recent complaint reviewed by the town's ethics board "a political hit job."

The town's Ethics Board investigated and made a determination following a complaint against Dorsey for services he had allegedly received. According to multiple sources with knowledge of the matter, he had contractors transport soil and fill and deposit it upon his personal property.

Town Board members met in executive session on Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 13 to obtain legal advice and to discuss personnel matters. The special meeting called by Town Supervisor David VanLuven followed an assembly of the town's Ethics Board a week before.

Dorsey shared with *Spotlight Newspapers* how he explained to the Ethics Board that he receives clean fill on his land, and has held a permit to do so for the last five years. The fill is "valueless" he said, otherwise the contractors who dump it would sell it on the open market.

"If this was a real problem, it would have been brought up when I was first elected in 2019," Dorsey shared in a statement. "Instead, this is being used as a political hit job two weeks before an election."

"The people of Bethlehem know what is clean fill and know when someone is just nastily throwing dirt," he added. "This is dirty politics. They also know the work my department has done in the last two years has vastly improved the quality of life in town — from paving roads to installing sidewalks to creating a state-of-the-art compost facility."

The Town Board may take action based on that determination once it meets again on Wednesday, Oct. 27, but VanLuven would not confirm.

"We haven't discussed it yet and so I can't put a timetable on what we're going to do until I hear from the full board," VanLuven said.

This is believed to be the first determination by the Ethics Board. Through a FOIL request, the Town stated that the board had not presented one in the previous three years. A review of its meeting minutes revealed it had never shared a judgment with the Town Board since it was established in 2013.

Ethics Board Chairperson Michael Hutter Jr. initially called the Oct. 7 meeting into executive session without cause. Once challenged by *Spotlight*

*Newspapers*, he explained that it involved "special matters" — not among the legitimate reasons listed under state Open Meeting Law. The meeting continued in private under protest.

Bethlehem's Code of Ethics is "intended to enhance public confidence and respect in the integrity of Town government," according to the Ethics Board's website. It is also to establish standards by which town officers and employees are to be measured.

The Ethics Board meets sporadically; only when it receives a complaint or as the five-person board prepares its annual report to the Town Board. The board, comprised of town residents appointed by the Town Board, provides advice upon request. It also investigates sworn complaints and makes recommendations to the Town Board regarding how to address them.

When the board meets, those meetings are called into action at 8 a.m. or before. Deliberations are often held outside of public view in an executive session. Public Meeting Law allows such private meetings to occur for a finite number of reasons. Conversation details are not permitted to be shared. If there is a vote, the result is shared but commonly little else.

There are conflicting views surrounding what information is available to the public after an ethics board reviews a complaint. Nanci Moquin, Bethlehem's town clerk and FOIL officer, stated that determinations can be withheld as interdepartmental communications. Jake Forken of the state Committee on Open Government said ethics board records are "generally" available under FOIL, with exceptions that include unwarranted invasion of privacy, and disclosure that could lead to personal or economic hardship. *Spotlight Newspapers* has requested to receive the determination under FOIL and the Town is permitted to respond by Nov. 19.

In 2016, the Ethics Board was more forthcoming with details involving a complaint against then-Bethlehem Planning Board Chairperson John Smolinsky over his handling of a proposal that was to impact residents on Fieldstone Drive in Delmar. After several meetings, the Ethics Board voted to dismiss the complaint because it did not allege a violation of the town's Ethics Code.

Dorsey is running for re-election and will again appear on the Nov. 2 ballot as a Democrat.

The Town Board is comprised of four Democrats and one Republican, so any action to move forward has to come from the majority of the board. The next meeting of the Town Board will be Wednesday, Oct. 27, six days before the election.

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■ POLITICS

# Is it really Delmar v. Bethlehem?

Questions rise over a ward government

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**DELMAR** — The “DELMAR” dateline in this article references where Bethlehem’s seat of government resides, but of the town’s roughly 18,000 residents who live outside the hamlet, it’s a point of contention.

“The whole world, in our definition, seems to believe that the center of the universe is Delmar,” said Republican Town Board candidate and Glenmont resident Jim Carriero. “It is not.”

Of the four members seated presently on the Town Board, all live within the 12054 postal zip code. The town’s supervisor, too, lives in Delmar. Only Jim Foster can argue that he lives in Elsmere — a corner of town defined roughly by the neighborhoods west of the Albany city line, south of the Normanskill, north

*“Here comes the Delmartian, telling me what I can and can not do with my property,”*

— David DeCancio, Democrat Town Board candidate

of the Route 32 Bypass and east of where the Rail Trail intersects Delaware Avenue. There’s room for argument.

For the first time in recent years, local politicians are deliberating over the creation of a ward system for the Town Board. As Town Hall has been busy hosting debates over a disputed road diet in Delmar, a town wide development moratorium and an unwanted affordable housing project in South Bethlehem, more residents voiced unfair representation.

Based on the U.S. Census, the Delmar zip code has the largest population (8,292). It’s followed

by Slingerlands (7,646), Selkirk (6,775) and Glenmont (6,481). Lost in those numbers are Elsmere and North Bethlehem as neither hamlet is designated by zip code. Within those 8,000 Delmar residents are Elsmere households. North Bethlehem residents, too, would skew numbers from Slingerlands.

Those populations would factor into how the wards would ultimately be composed. If we are to assume six wards representing the commonly recognized hamlets, each would be divided by the same number of residents.

“I think, at the end of the day, I would like to support a ward system to provide greater representation and reflect the full diversity and the wonderful diversity of our community,” said Foster, who is running for reelection as an incumbent member and only Republican representative on the Town Board.

Republican Party candidates started the conversation over replacing the town’s current at-

large model this year. The outside perception is that it could benefit the party’s attempt to wrangle control away from Democrats, but that’s not necessarily the case.

In year’s past, when Republicans held more power over Bethlehem politics, it was on the strength of voters living outside of Delmar. However, based on enrollment figures from Albany County, Democrats outnumber Republicans in all but one of the town’s 31 districts. Only in Normansville do Republicans outnumber Democrats — by a count of eight to seven.

Democrat Town Board candidate David DeCancio, a Selkirk resident, said he can appreciate why there would be a push towards the ward concept. While working on the town’s Zoning Board of Appeals, he said he was often confronted with contempt while visiting sites in Selkirk or North Bethlehem.

“Here comes the Delmartian, telling me what I can and can not do with my property,” he said.

“It’s not fair and I agree with the perception.”

Both he and Maureen Cunningham, the Democrat incumbent, agreed that they would welcome such a referendum if that’s what residents wanted, but residents may not want it.

Bethlehem investigated the ward concept with the help of a committee in 2012. Of the 164 towns with populations large enough to administer a ward system in 2010, only 13 did. New York state law allows for it so long as it is not inconsistent with (state) Town Law. The concept has never been challenged in court.

“It’s fair to say that legal impediment isn’t the reason why more towns don’t have the ward system,” the committee’s report stated in its conclusion. “If the voters want representation by ward they have the means to establish it. To date, they seem content with the prevailing mode of representation, the at-large system.”

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■ POLITICS

# United we stand; divided we fall

Poll: We are a nation divided and united

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As a nation, we are as divided today as we have been in our 245-year history, according to a poll by Siena College Research Institute, but we still share many of the core values instilled by the Founding Fathers.

“Are we divided? Yes. Do we share core values? Absolutely. Are we proud to be Americans? For the most part. Do we think our great experiment will weather this storm? We’re somewhat hopeful, but concerned,” said SCRI’s Director, Don Levy.

The poll focused on the 51 percent who voted for President Joe Biden in 2020 and the 47 percent who voted for the incumbent, Donald Trump. Thirty-one percent think the election was stolen while 56 percent think it was not. Half think much of the mainstream media is fake news while 36 percent do not and 25 percent think the election was stolen and

mainstream media is fake news.

On current issues:

- By a 61 to 39 percent margin, voters support a federal ban on assault weapons

- By a 63 to 37 percent margin, voters support providing a path to citizenship, or amnesty, for illegal aliens and other undocumented immigrants.

- 43 percent think abortion should be legal in most cases while 36 percent believe in most cases abortion should be illegal.

- 84 percent of all Americans support passing federal legislation that would both protect voting rights and make it easier to vote.

- 68 percent of those that think the election was stolen and that the media is fake news.

Using a technique called cluster analysis Levy said 35 percent of the respondents were “left-of-center” in that they support voting rights, abortion, a ban on assault weapons, a path to citizenship, do not think the

	All	Trump Voter	Biden Voter	Left of Center	Centrist	Right of Center	Anti-Establish
<b>Equality</b>	82	80	85	85	82	79	79
<b>Liberty</b>	79	82	77	76	79	82	82
<b>Progress</b>	81	82	81	80	81	82	83

2020 election was stolen and do not think mainstream media is fake news. And 34 percent were “right-of-center” in that they hold the opposite view on virtually all those issues with the notable exception that they do not oppose an expansion of voting rights,” he said.

“The remaining 31 percent, we identify as centrists as they tend to hold positions as a whole between the other two groups although with the exception of their appraisal of the media, they lean more to the left on these issues than to the right,” he said.

Members of the left and right-of-center groups vote at a rate of 83 to 84 percent while centrists vote at a lower rate, 68 percent. The centrist group voted at a lower rate but did vote for Biden over Trump by 62-35 percent.

“These numbers appear to tell the same now familiar story of a divided nation that disagrees on issues and can be readily assigned to one ‘team’ or another with a less politically engaged group of citizens voters left in the middle,” Levy said.

## The similarities

SCRI asked respondents to consider 34 statements and asked to rate how important the statements are to how they live their lives. A rating of “0” means the respondent disagrees completely, “5” means sometimes yes and sometimes no and “10” means the respondent wholeheartedly lives in accordance with the statement.

Statements include:

- All people are equal, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, physical appearance, or

any other personal characteristics.

- Not everyone starts off with the same set of tools or skills, sometimes we need to level the playing field by giving some people a head start.

- No one, not even the government, should be able to restrict another’s pursuit of happiness.

- Everyone can speak their mind in public regardless of the viewpoint without fear of punishment.

- Advances in areas like health, technology, business or personal development, rely on the careful application of science.

- It is important to achieve something specific and measurable each and every day.

Using factor analysis to consider all answers to all 34

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### **PROPOSITION No. 6**

Shall the bond resolution adopted by the Town Board, Town of Bethlehem on July 28, 2021, authorizing the Town of Bethlehem to (a) undertake the Delaware Avenue Complete Streets and Road Diet Project, at a maximum estimated cost not to exceed \$5,200,000, and (b) finance such Project by the issuance of bonds and/or notes of the Town in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$5,200,000, with such amount anticipated to be partially offset by the receipt of federal and state grants, and other sources of funds, currently estimated to equal approximately \$4,472,000, be approved?

YES  NO

Election Day-Nov 2nd

MY TOWN MY VOTE **VOTE NO**

Proposition # 6 - NO!

**VOTE NO PROP #6**

## From page 7 ... Road diet

attributed by residents identified by just their first name.

In a recent Town Board meeting, Giacone alluded to private meetings involving Town Board members and supporters of the road diet. VanLuven refuted the claim.

Residents on social media have scrutinized over the Democrats involvement with the community group, growing wary and expressing doubt that it is a genuine community movement.

Albany County Legislator and Bethlehem Democratic Committee Chairperson Joanne Cunningham is named as a supporter on the group's website, but identified only by her first name. Other supporters include BDC Committee members Bill McCabe and Jeremy Snyder.

The anonymous spokesperson for Bethlehem Community Streets named Snyder and fellow BDC members Gary

Ginsburg and Melissa Gold as responsible for the website and social media channels.

In the group's most recent video presentation, Snyder is open about his ties with the BDC, as the Bethlehem Comprehensive Plan Update Committee and Bethlehem Tomorrow. The latter is also listed as a supporter on the website.

"I volunteer for these organizations because I believe in making Bethlehem and even better place to live than it is now," Snyder said. "I know we can do better on Delaware Avenue."

David VanLuven, a Democrat but not listed as a committee member, said he's not involved with the community group.

"I know there's a community effort, but the Town Board hasn't been involved," he said.

### Study

Albany's Madison Avenue went through a similar transformation

proposed for Bethlehem. Four lanes of traffic were reduced to two. A central turning lane was installed, as were bike lanes, from South Allen Street to Lark Street. ADA-compliant pedestrian crossings were added, along with walk singles displaying countdown times.

At the time Albany finished the project in 2018, similar projects were planned throughout the Capital District. Guilderland, Menands and Schenectady each were preparing or working towards similar traffic calming measures. Madison Avenue, however, continues to be used as the preeminent example.

What makes Delaware Avenue different from the Albany city street is the number of access points along its road. Despite being used as a commuter road, it has several curb cuts for driveways, parking lots and side streets that conflict with the flow of traffic. There are approximately 73 driveways and 14 unsignalized side street intersections within the study area.

The conflict is worse between Elsmere Avenue

and Delaware Plaza according to the report. On a scale similar to a school report card, the Capital District Transportation Committee gives that stretch of road an E. The roadway between the mall and Normanskill earned a D grade.

Creighton Manning Engineering's 103-paged feasibility report documents 213 accidents along the 1.3-mile corridor between 2011 and 2015. Seven involved bicyclists, while two included pedestrians.

Of the nine pedestrian and bicycle crashes, three of the crashes were attributed to driver inattention and two to pedestrian/bike error. The remaining four were attributed to glare, failure to yield the right of way, turning improperly, and outside car distraction.

The crash data also indicates that four of the bicycle crashes occurred on the sidewalk, while the other three were in the roadway. One of the three bicycle crashes that occurred in the roadway involved a bicyclist who was traveling against traffic.

Opponents to designating bicycles lanes

onto Delaware Avenue point to the roadways many curb cuts. Republican Jim Foster, who also volunteers as a firefighter with the Elsmere Fire Department, has been against the road diet since before he joined the Town Board four years ago. He voted against the referendum earlier this year and said he would vote against Proposition 6. He said introducing bicyclists on Delaware Avenue is "courting disaster."

The engineer's report suggests Delaware Avenue has an 80 percent higher accident rate than similar roads across the state — a point former deputy commissioner for the state's transportation department

made in public comment.

"These are real engineering facts, not alternative facts," said Henry Peyrebrune, who retired from the state's transportation department after 33 years. Through the data collected from the feasibility report, and from the Federal Highway Administration, he said a full road diet could reduce the accident rate by 26 percent.

"It's my experience that just these facts alone — just the accident reduction — would justify moving ahead with this project. Not only should you, you must, I believe, in order to protect public safety."

## From page 12 ...

### SCRI poll: Divided/united nation

statements, SCRI identified three major value areas: "equality," "liberty" and "progress."

The poll found the scores universally high and consistent across groups. While, Biden voters or members of the left-of-center cluster

tend to score slightly higher than others on "equality" and Trump voters, right-of-center cluster members, tend to score slightly higher on "liberty," the differences are small, and of degree rather than substance.

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141 LINCOLN PLACE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/21. 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 Hyde Park Holdings, 570 Lexington Avenue, 44th Floor, New York, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275489

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

142 CARRIAGE HOUSE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/06/21. 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 Siegel & Reiner LLP, 130 East 59th Street, New York, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277580

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

154 OAK LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/21/21. 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, 35-29 154th Street, Flushing, NY 11354. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276180

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

1567 DEKALB LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/21/21. 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, 238 Starr Street, Brooklyn, NY 11237. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276151

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

159 ROW HOUSE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/14/21. 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, 159 W. 13th Street, Apartment 1, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277792

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

15W613L LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/30/21. 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, 18 East 48th Street, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276951

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

24 EAST 81ST HOLDING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/30/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process

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against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 24 East 81st Street, New York, NY 10028. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277145

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

2921 THROUPE AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/06/21. 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, 2915 Thrope Avenue, Bronx, NY 10469. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277538

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

3 EAST 10TH STREET BB BH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/21/21. 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 Bank & Bank, P.C., 400 Post Avenue, Suite 306, Westbury, NY 11590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276188

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

3254 PARKSIDE REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/23/21. 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 Teitelbaum Gallagher, 462 Seventh Avenue, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10018. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277014

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

34 WEST 12TH STREET BB BH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/21/21. 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 Bank & Bank, P.C., 400 Post Avenue, Suite 306, Westbury, NY 11590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276189

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

34-48 10TH ST. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/15/21. 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, 34-48 10th Street, Astoria, NY 11106. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277003

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

36 WYCKOFF REALTY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/05/21. 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 Maribel Agosto, 100

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Congress Street, Apartment 306, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277155

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

36B LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/01/21. 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, 1421 Stone Canyon Road, Los Angeles, CA 90077. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277079

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

451 HANCOCK BED STUY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/17/21. 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 Bank & Bank, P.C., 400 Post Avenue, Suite 306, Westbury, NY 11590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276425

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

54D FLATIRON LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/14/21. 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, 125 West 25th Street, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275823

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

5ive M LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/23/21. 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, 3 Columbus Circle, 26th Floor, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276419

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

AMORETTE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/10/21. 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 Elizabeth Zilch, 200 Rector Place, Apartment 10C, New York, NY 10280. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275555

**BETHLEHEM CEMETERY ASSOCIATION, INC.'S ANNUAL LOT OWNERS MEETING -**

November 1, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, NY. Those wishing to vote must contact the Cemetery office by October 29, 2021, at 518-439-2394 for ownership verification. Face masks required. D-276914

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ANTON 45, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/29/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the

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LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Antonio Barretto, 303 E. 57th Street, 45A, New York, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277163

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ARCHER AVENUE GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/01/21. 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, 10 E. 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277053

**NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION**

AVERY RYAN THERAPY LCSW, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/29/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, c/o Law Offices of Thomas C. York, P.C., 85 Broad Street, 9th Floor, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Licensed Clinical Social Work. D-276891

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BASEERA KHAN 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, 804 Nostrand Avenue, Apartment 2, Brooklyn, NY 11216. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-272792

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BELL CONDOS 4A LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/14/21. 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, 81 Birch Street, Floral Park, NY 11001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275731

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BH 228 DUFFIELD STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/15/21. 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, c/o B. Hospitality Corp., 1250 Broadway, 10th Floor, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275994

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BH 29-15 QUEENS PLAZA N LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/29/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be

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served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o B. Hospitality Corp., 1250 Broadway, 10th Floor, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276887

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BINOGLI UNITED STATES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/17/21. 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 515 Madison Avenue, 31st Floor, New York, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276448

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BUY LOW HYSSELL HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/16/21. 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, 70 Bluebird Lane, Plainview, NY 11803. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275475

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CANAANITE LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 09/14/21. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 01/05/21. 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, 95 Greene Street, Unit PHABE, New York, NY 10012. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275824

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CANY LLC - 386. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/06/21. 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 KVB Partners, Inc., 60 Broad Street, Suite 3, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277535

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CHOUX CONSULTING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/29/21. Latest date to dissolve: 09/30/2051. Office: Albany County. 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 Tracy Chou, 1208 8th Avenue, #2, Brooklyn, NY 11215. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277501

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CLE ASSOCIATES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/14/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of pro-

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cess to the LLC, c/o Cora Baliff, 72 Bacon Road, Old Westbury, NY 11568. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277790

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CMSB 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, 14 Palmer Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275663

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

COMO PROPERTIES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/28/21. 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, 60 S. 8th Street, TH7, Brooklyn, NY 11249. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276799

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CONCERTS UNDER THE STARS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/10/21. 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 Ross Tesoriero, 328 West 11th Street, 3C, New York, NY 10014. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275556

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CPP SOLUTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/12/21. 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, 10 West 15th Street, Suite 1408, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277671

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CULTIV8LIFE WELLNESS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/17/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 414 Vincent Dr., Schenectady, NY 12303. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277004

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CultureDeep Consulting Services LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/21. 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, 1399

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D & G 228TH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/21. 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, 1837 Victor Street, Bronx, NY 10462. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275482

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

D & G SCOTT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/17/21. 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, 1837 Victor Street, Bronx, NY 10462. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276016

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

D & G TURNBULL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/24/21. 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, 1837 Victor Street, Bronx, NY 10462. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276432

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

DIGITAL INSIGHTS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/14/21. 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, 223 W. 135th Street, Room 1, New York, NY 10030. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275732

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

EAST OF FIRST 37, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/15/21. 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, 420 West 24th Street, Apartment 8F, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276063

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

EFT CAPITAL SERVING, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/10/21. 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, 13 East 17th Street, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10003. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275557

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

EHK INVEST, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/21. 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, 1399

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New Scotland Road, PO Box 324, Slingerlands, NY 12159. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275484

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

EJETTE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/21/21. 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, 8501 N. Madrone Trail, Austin, TX 78737. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276152

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ELAH DMEIR ANENI, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/21. 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 Pinhas Zekry, PO Box 245, New York, NY 10028. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275485

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ELKER CAPITAL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/08/21. 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, 21 West 20th Street, 5th Floor, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277558

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

FIDDLERS BRIDGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/27/21. 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, 299 West 12th Street, Unit 6K, New York, NY 10014. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276460

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

FOR FIVE WHITESTONE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/04/21. 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, 59-01 55th Street, Maspeth, NY 11378. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277149

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

FRACUS OPERATING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/03/21. 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, 204 West 101st Street, New York, NY 10025. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275478

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FYPM 2.0 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/05/21. Latest date

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to dissolve: 12/31/2120. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Global Strategy Group, 215 Park Avenue South, 15<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10003. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277503

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

GEOST, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/21. 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 Gerard Tepedino, 8509 Colonial Road, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275524

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

GHATTLORD PARTNERS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/21. 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, 510 West 52nd Street, Apartment #PH-2B, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275486

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

GLAMIS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/04/21. 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 NKSFB, LLC 10960 Wilshire Boulevard, 5th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90024. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277150

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

GOOD CULT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/15/21. 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, c/o Dina Felder, 7 Hubert Street, No 6A, New York, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275996

## NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION

GRATEFUL HEART PSYCHOTHERAPY, LCSW, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/10/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 464 Decatur Street, Brooklyn, NY 11233. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Licensed Clinical Social Work. D-275602

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GREEK RAVEN, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon

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whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 415 East 37<sup>th</sup> Street, Unit 6L, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276226

## NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION

HEATH WELLNESS ADULT HEALTH NP PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/13/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 7022 Ridge Boulevard, Apartment Basement, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Nurse Practitioner in Adult Health. D-277698

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

HIMROD 100 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/24/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o E Kaufman, 939 51<sup>st</sup> Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276003

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

HIMROD 96 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/24/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Eli Kaufman, 939 51<sup>st</sup> Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276004

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HIMROD 98 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/24/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o E Kaufman, 939 51<sup>st</sup> Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276005

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

J. TULLY SOLUTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/13/21. 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, 10 Rosemont Court, Greenlawn, NY 11740. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275993

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

JAKE & VAN DUZER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/25/21. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2071. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it

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may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 39A Kansas Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10305. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275960

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

JUST A CIRCLE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/22/21. 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 Law Offices of Thomas C. York, P.C., 85 Broad Street, 9th Floor, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276240

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

JZRx Advisors LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/20/21. 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 Law Offices of Thomas C. York, P.C., 85 Broad Street, 9th Floor, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276030

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

KITE AND HENDERSON, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/13/21. 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, 200 Garden City Plaza, Suite 103, Garden City, NY 11530. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276801

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

KOI KOREATOWN LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/20/21. 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 Clinton Oh, 10 Kettlepond Road, Jericho, NY 11753. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276031

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

KOODOS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/08/21. 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, 335 Greenwich Street, Apartment 10B, New York, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275525

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

LAGADA REALTY GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/20/21. 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, 22-11 Crescent Street, Astoria, NY 11105. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277112

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LH 1601 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/15/21. 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, 563 Neck Road, Tiverton, RI 02878. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275998

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

LIBERTY COFFEE SHOP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/13/21. 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, 118-19 Liberty Avenue, Richmond Hill, NY 11419. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277720

## NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION

LISA MOLLICK, LICENCED MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELOR, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/28/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, c/o Weber & Pullin LLP, 7600 Jericho Turnpike, Suite 402, Woodbury, NY 11797. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Mental Health Counseling. D-277505

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MAD FOR CHICKEN E14TH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/10/21. 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 Clinton Oh, 10 Kettlepond Road, Jericho, NY 11753. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275558

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MDLMT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/14/21. 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, 104 West 70th Street, #10C, New York, NY 10023. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277791

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

METTA EERH, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/21/21. 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, 2821 Fairview Avenue E, Unit 8, Seattle, WA 98102. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276153

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MI ROCA CRT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/14/21. 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, 3515 E. Tremont Avenue, Bronx, NY 10465. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275735

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MINEOLA RENTALS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/20/21. 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, 17 East Old Country Road, PMB 342, Hicksville, NY 11801. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276032

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MLS9 LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 09/02/21. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 08/31/21. 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, 491 Tenth Street, Apartment 2, Brooklyn, NY 11215. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276896

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MONTEREY GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/14/21. 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. D-275737

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MORRIS AVE VENTURES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/10/21. 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, 2055 McGraw Avenue, Apartment #6E, Bronx, NY 10462. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276154

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MOSHOLU AVE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/21. 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 Chen, 3621 Corlear Avenue, 2nd Floor, Bronx, NY 10463. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276882

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MPW3 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/04/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated

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ed as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 589 9th Avenue, New York, NY 10036. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277154

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MRM PRIME HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/12/21. 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, 1029 Central Avenue, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277626

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MTJE REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/22/21. 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, 321 West 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Apartment 12J, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276241

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MULA OIRAH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/10/21. 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, 1285 52nd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275560

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NILL RIDDY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/21/21. 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, 2055 McGraw Avenue, Apartment #6E, Bronx, NY 10462. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276154

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

NORMAN DOBBIN LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/03/21. 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, 1357 Broadway, Suite 508, New York, NY 10018. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276064

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

OAK LN HAMPTONS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/08/21. 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, 21 West 20<sup>th</sup> Street, 5th Floor, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277560

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ONDERDONK 3 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/21/21. 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 Law Offices of Thomas C. York, P.C., 85 Broad Street, 9th Floor, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276160

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

ORCHARD TERRACE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/06/21. 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, 30 Orchard Street, Unit 6, New York, NY 10002. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277537

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

P & G MOSEL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/25/21. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2071. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 39A Kansas Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10305. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275957

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

P & G ROCKWELL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/25/21. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2071. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 39A Kansas Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10305. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275950

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

P & G SILVER LAKE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/25/21. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2071. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 39A Kansas Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10305. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275948

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

PARK MADISON LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/26/21. 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, 730 Third Avenue, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275561

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## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

PE 1590 LAKELAND LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/17/21. 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, 35 Pinelawn Road, Suite 214E, Melville, NY 11747. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276021

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PE 1590 LANDLAND MGR LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/17/21. 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, 35 Pinelawn Road, Suite 214E, Melville, NY 11747. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276022

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

PHILLIP JG LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/05/21. 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, 200 Lexington Avenue, Suite 809, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277205

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

PLPW LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/17/21. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2120. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 400 East 51st Street, Unit 8B, New York, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276017

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PREZZIEZ LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/04/21. 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, 269 West 231st Street, Bronx, NY 10463. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277181

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QUEENS CROSSED LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/24/21. 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, 20 West 20<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1102, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276455

## NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

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# BC serves loss to host Colonie



**COLONIE** — The Bethlehem girls advanced to the Class AA semifinals by beating Colonie 1-0 on Saturday, Oct. 23.

Bethlehem, the No. 5 seed, will play the No. 1 seed Shenendehowa on Wednesday, Oct. 27 at Mechanicville High School. The game is slated to kick off at 6:30 p.m. No. 2 seed Shaker is playing No. 3 Columbia two hours before that game. The winners playing for the Class AA

championship on Saturday, Oct. 30 at Sillwater High School with the game scheduled to start at noon.

In a hard-fought game against the No. 4 seed from Colonie, Liz Ramsey scored the game's lone goal. Sophia Soka had the shutout in goal for the Eagles.

Check out our website for more photos of the game.

—Jim Franco

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served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 2606 Avenue L, Brooklyn, NY 11210. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277506

**NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION**  
REBECCA SEMEL PSYCHOLOGIST PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/28/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, c/o Robert A. Carpentier, P.C., 1 Pleasant Avenue, Port Washington, NY 11050. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Psychology. D-276897

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
RJ COHEN VENTURES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/04/21. 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, 1854 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Brooklyn, NY 11223. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277504

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
RND GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/12/21. 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, 1208 East 7th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11230. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277627

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cess to the LLC, 1208 East 7th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11230. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277627

**NOTICE OF P.L.L.C. FORMATION**  
RODRIGUEZ-MARTIN IMMIGRATION LAW OFFICES, P.L.L.C. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/07/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 953 Bruckner Boulevard, Suite 1, Bronx, NY 10459. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Law. D-277822

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
ROYALTY FOODS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/12/21. 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, 422 Cromwell Avenue, 2nd Floor, Staten Island, NY 10305. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275526

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
RUGS AMERICA HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/21. 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, 10

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Daniel Street, Farmingdale, NY 11735. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275487

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
SANGUINARIA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/06/21. 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, 5 Harrison Street, Apartment PH, New York, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277536

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
SAUCE ON THE SIDE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/05/21. 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, 70 Bluebird Lane, Plainview, NY 11803. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275477

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
SC DECORATIONS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/12/21. 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, 351 89th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277628

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SCENT LAB 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, 353 West 48th Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Unit 215, New York, NY 10036. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277570

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
Skinlab NYC1, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/13/21. 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, 1231 Third Avenue, Ground Floor, New York, NY 10021. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276424

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
SMOKEY MONTGOMERY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/31/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1240 Dean Street, 2nd Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11216. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277568

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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
STYLECAKED, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/30/21. 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, 26 Broadway, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275527

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
SUNSHINE REALTY NYC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/15/21. 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, 556 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, PHB2, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275999

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SUZANNE B. REIN PSYCHOLOGIST, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 475 Sterling Place, Unit 2J, Brooklyn, NY 11238. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Psychology. D-275544

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
THE METHOD COLLECTIVE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/23/21. 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, 162 W. 84th Street, New York, NY 10024. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-276428

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
THE REGENERATIVE FOOD COMPANY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/04/21. 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, 3546 79th Street, Apartment 31, Jackson Heights, NY 11372. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277158

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TOGETHER TOGETHER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/10/21. 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, 1820 Cortelyou Road, #4E, Brooklyn, NY 11226. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275583

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
TWO GOOD SONS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/08/21. 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, 77 Charlton Street, N4C, New York, NY 10014. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277562

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
US PET SOLUTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/31/21. 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, 148 Madison Avenue, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277113

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VAN LEEUWEN NEW YORK SLOPE LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 10/07/21. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 10/05/21. 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, 304 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11215. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277563

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
VANAM REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/25/21. 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, 917 Wyckoff Avenue, Ridgewood, NY 11385. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-275961

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**  
VT WOODS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/01/21. 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, 398 Manor Road, Staten Island, NY 10314. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-277078



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# Literature is meant to challenge

I am writing to share my views on a recent petition launched by a Bethlehem Central School District parent that objects to the High School English curriculum and demands that students be permitted to be assigned "alternative texts." The petition cites as objectionable Steinbeck's *Of Mice and Men* and Sherman Alexie's *Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*; an earlier version also objected to Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*. The petition asserts that students "should not have to choose between doing their required reading and maintaining their religious or moral values."

One comment in support of the petition states, "I oppose having my child read a required book out loud and having to say the Lord's name in vain."

As a parent of Bethlehem Central School District students and as a college professor of English literature, I am made uneasy by this demand and commend the school district's decision not to accede to it. Such a demand places an unreasonable burden on teachers to build lesson plans around an indeterminate number of alternative texts that meet with the approval of various parents. It also demands parental veto

power over one of the most important functions of education: namely, exposure to multiple points of view encouraging critical thought, reflection, and discourse about one's own beliefs and values and those of others.

A scan of lists of frequently challenged and banned books compiled by the American Library Association discloses a disproportionate number of texts by Black and Indigenous writers, including Toni Morrison, Alice Walker, Maya Angelou, and Sherman Alexie, one of the authors challenged by this petition. This is no doubt in part

because many Black and Indigenous writers incorporate racist language in texts to realistically depict racism in society. In April 2020, CNN reported that 8 of the top 10 books challenged by parents the previous year contained LGBTQ content or characters.

Although a writer of color is singled out in this petition, I do not believe this complaint is motivated by a specific desire to silence marginalized voices. Nevertheless, I do believe it is a step in that direction when parents demand alternative texts for their students based on subjective notions of what discourses,

ideologies, and values count as "offensive."

As a parent myself, I understand the importance of being able to instill your values in your children. However, the study of literature should not be about encountering only texts that confirm the validity of views and values one already unquestioningly holds as true or inoffensive. Literature, if it has any value at all, must challenge, provoke, and unsettle. As Emerson wrote, "People wish to be settled," but "only as far as they are unsettled is there any hope for them."

*Brian Sweeney*

Delmar

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# Overcoming picky eating with your child

Is your child a picky eater? Do you feel anxious about meal time, stressed when they won't try new foods, and worried about the lack of variety in their diet? If so, you're not alone! In this virtual two-part series on Thursdays, Nov. 4 and 18, at 7 p.m. entitled "Overcoming Picky Eating and Raising Intuitive Eaters!" we'll cover:

- letting go of the stress and anxiety around feeding your picky eater



- making family mealtimes more peaceful
- learning strategies to help your child build comfort around new foods without having to pressure, beg, or bribe them
- navigating how to handle sweets
- encouraging your child

to trust their own body to guide their eating - the key to developing a lifelong healthy relationship with food

Put an end to mealtime battles and begin cultivating your child's desire for healthy foods - sign up on the Events tab of our website for the Zoom link.

Presented by Mariel Baron, a local Registered Dietitian, owner of Mariel Baron Nutrition, and mother of two young girls.

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— Luanne Nicholson

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# Programs for the rest of 2021

Our November/December Footnotes newsletter, which is mailed to homes in the Bethlehem Central School District, highlights some great library services and upcoming events for all ages, but not every great activity at the library makes it into Footnotes. Be sure to check out our online calendar at [bethlehem.librarycalendar.com](http://bethlehem.librarycalendar.com) to find out what's coming up. You can narrow down what you're looking for by age range or interest.

We'd also like to make you aware of some upcoming changes to our program registration procedures. Because of ongoing health and safety concerns about large events, we have reduced capacity for in-person programs and will be limiting them to audiences 12 and older. Bethlehem Central School District residents will be given priority, but



registration will open up to the general public two days before the event if spaces remain available.

Regular storytimes will be taking place virtually in November and December so your little ones will still have the opportunity to practice their early literacy skills in a fun and engaging way during Baby Bounce and Books, Family Storytime, and Music and Movement. Visit our calendar for dates and times; registration is required.

## Trick or Treat at the library

On Thursday, Oct. 28, pint-sized princesses, ghouls, pirates and superheroes will haunt our hallways as they trick-or-

treat their way among the books. This year, our indoor trick-or-treating event for ages 0-6 and families will look a little different. We're asking families to come by any time between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. to make their way among the treat stations we'll have set up in the library. Kids can show off their costumes and enjoy Halloween in a safe, dry place. Just a quick reminder that masks are required inside the library for everyone ages 2 and up.

This annual event at the library is a favorite among staffers, so don't be surprised if you see some of them getting into the spirit of things, too!

## An Eerie afternoon

Do you love ghost stories and local history? Join us Friday, Oct. 29, at 1 p.m. for "Eerie Albany," a virtual Coffee &

Conversation well suited for Halloween weekend. Discover Albany's Maeve McEneny-Johnson will unearth Albany's storied past in this storytelling event, not made for the faint of heart.

Who is the ghostly figure who lingers past closing time at the historic Olde English Pub?

What mysteries lie within the beautiful homes that line Ten Broeck Triangle?

Can you explain the shadowy figures who roam the Capitol halls at night? Uncover this and more.

This program will be held on Zoom and registration is required. Visit our online calendar at [bethlehem.librarycalendar.com](http://bethlehem.librarycalendar.com) to sign up.

## Show off your perfect pumpkin

We are still accepting entries in our virtual

pumpkin-carving contest. Spooky or silly?

You decide!

Simply email a full-color photo of your pumpkin to [contest@bethpl.org](mailto:contest@bethpl.org). Include your full name, email, phone number and category.

Entries will be accepted through Oct. 29.

Please enter only pumpkins carved by you or your family this year. Entries will be judged by library staff and prizes will be awarded in the beginning of November.

## Homework help online

Does your child need a little extra help this school year?

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preparation.

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Find HelpNow on the library's Research page at [bethlehempubliclibrary.org/webapps/research.asp](http://bethlehempubliclibrary.org/webapps/research.asp).

— Kristen Roberts

# Holiday Sides at Vville

Join Chef Sheryl Moore, from Honest Weight Food Co-op, at 6 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 4, for an evening of local, fresh and delicious holiday side dish ideas. Sheryl will join us live via zoom from the Teaching Kitchen at Honest Weight Food Co-op. Learn more about preparing seasonal and organic foods. Attendees will receive the recipes, shopping list, and coupons ahead of time. Please note: all food prep will happen before the class starts.



## Family Yoga

Caregivers with children ages 3 to 7 are invited to register for one, two, or all three Saturday morning sessions with yoga instructor, Tommie Burch. Sessions begin at 10:15 a.m., Nov. 6, and will run for the next two consecutive Saturdays. These are a fun and joyful class that provides an opportunity for bonding with family while sharing the health and well being that yoga brings. Please bring a yoga mat or large towel. Please register as a family for each class. All attendees must follow all current covid guidelines. Detailed guidelines will be available as the date approaches.

## Thursday Afternoon Movies

Classic movies are back at the library. Join us at 1 p.m. on Thursday afternoons, for some movie trivia and friendly socializing. Seating will be very limited, so come early, choose some snacks, and watch a great, classic movie. Check our events calendar or call the library to find out what's playing this week.

## Grab & Go Kits

November's grab & go craft for adults is a mystery project. Sign up online now, and pick up your bag of supplies anytime after Nov 1. These are fun and easy crafts, with no experience needed. Spend some time being creative.

## Holiday Hours

In observance of Veteran's Day, the library will close at 5 p.m., Thursday, November 11. — Lynn Kohler

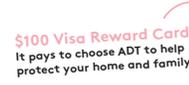
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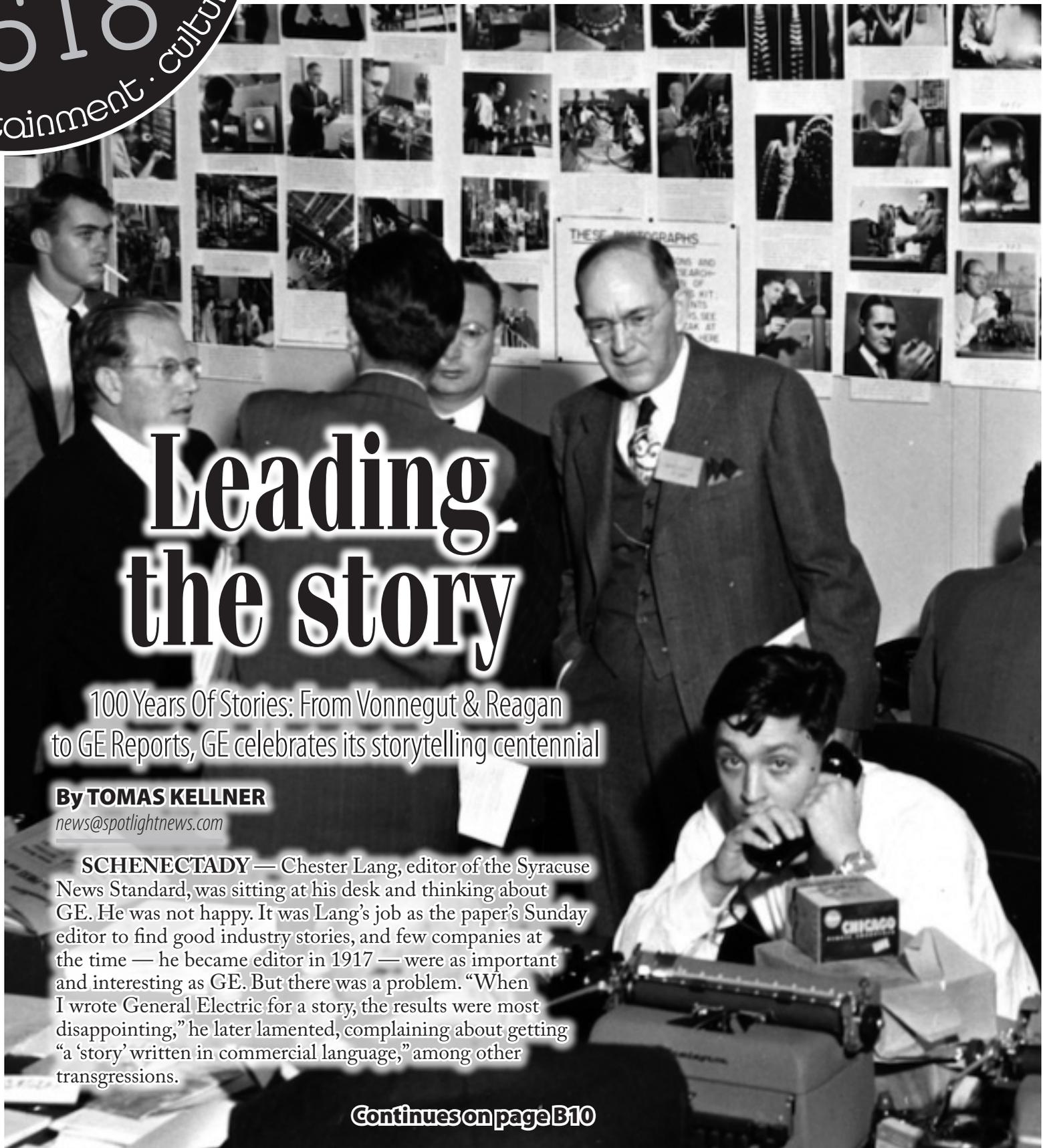
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**About time, Buble**

After countless reschedules, Michael Buble plays Albany.

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# Leading the story

100 Years Of Stories: From Vonnegut & Reagan to GE Reports, GE celebrates its storytelling centennial

By **TOMAS KELLNER**  
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**SCHENECTADY** — Chester Lang, editor of the Syracuse News Standard, was sitting at his desk and thinking about GE. He was not happy. It was Lang's job as the paper's Sunday editor to find good industry stories, and few companies at the time — he became editor in 1917 — were as important and interesting as GE. But there was a problem. "When I wrote General Electric for a story, the results were most disappointing," he later lamented, complaining about getting "a 'story' written in commercial language," among other transgressions.

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"How many of you, when you got the fourth e-mail saying the concert date had been rescheduled, said 'F\*\*\* you, Michael Buble!'"

Michael Buble, finally playing the Times Union Center after several rescheduled date during the pandemic.



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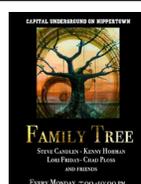
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# Eddies names award nominees

The 3rd annual Capital Region Thomas Edison Music Awards announces nominees, award show set for Nov. 14

SCHENECTADY — Live music ground to a halt in the Capital Region in March 2020 and while few artists were able to perform in local venues for the remainder of the year, many were active recording and streaming shows online. The organizers of the Capital Region Thomas Edison Music Awards have announced this year's nominees with a pandemic-influenced slate of existing and new categories.

The 2021 Eddies Music Awards ceremony will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14 at Universal Preservation Hall in Saratoga Springs. The show features several live musical performances, award announcements and acceptance speeches. The slate of musical performers will be announced soon.

This will be the second installment of the Eddies Music Awards in 2021; the current slate of nominees represents the work of 2020. The work of 2019 was recognized during a live broadcast from UPH this May after two postponements due to the pandemic.

Tickets for the Eddies Music Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony on Oct. 27 and the Eddies Music Awards on Nov. 14 are now on sale at [universalpreservationhall.org](http://universalpreservationhall.org).

For more information on both, visit [theeddiessawards.com](http://theeddiessawards.com).



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## Nigra Arts Center unveils details to show

Variety of media on display Oct. 28 to Jan. 14, 2022

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GLOVERSVILLE — The Paul Nigra Center for Creative Arts announced it will feature work from regional artists at its annual Fall/Winter Art Show between Thursday, Oct. 28 and Friday, Jan. 14.

This show will feature 104 pieces in a variety of media by 37 individual artists from one group of collaborators from Saratoga Bridges Creative Endeavors Art Center. Featured artists include Kathryn Bartscht, Tiina Bockrath, Janene Bouck, Lacy Brower, Bob Buck, Donald Cooper, Ruth Crotty, Lily Deschamps, Olivia Esposito, Katey Germain, Michelle Hale, Shelby Harris, André Jones, Alina Kazanova, Elizabeth Knapp, Marion Kratky, Kendall Lifgren, Joseph Magliocca, Laurie Mickel, Lynda Naske, Erin O'Melia, Chip Perone, Sandra Peters, Regina Quinn, Kathleen Simmons, Anna M. Socha, Destany Thomas, Michael Tondreau, Paul Valovic, Karlene VanDeusen, Donald VanEtten, Sylvia Vidal, David Waite, Sean Walmsley, Gerald Wein, Kevin Wright and Janet Marie Yeates.

A Meet the Artists Opening Reception for this show is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 4, from 4 to 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend this free reception to view the show and meet some of the featured artists. Please be aware that the Nigra Arts Center requires mask-wearing for everyone in the building, regardless of vaccination status.

The public is welcome to view the show at any time during its run. The Nigra Arts Center is located at 2736 State Highway 30, Gloversville, and its hours are weekdays 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Gallery admission is a suggested \$5 donation. Members of the Nigra Arts Center, children under the age of 18 and participating artists are admitted for free. The show will also be available to view virtually on the Nigra Arts Center Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/PaulNigraCenter](http://www.facebook.com/PaulNigraCenter), and website, [www.pncreativeartscenter.org](http://www.pncreativeartscenter.org).

The Nigra Arts Center offers annual memberships to anyone who seeks to support the arts and community events at the Center. Membership levels start at just \$25 per year and carry benefits such as discounted admission to classes and art exhibitions, mailing list access, invitations to special events, charitable tax deductions and more.



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Thurs: **STEN AND MARIA Z** | 7-9 p.m.  
Fri: **CAPTAIN FUN LUNCHTIME LISTENING HOUR FEATURING MIKE SALISBURY** | 1-2 p.m.  
Fri: **EILEEN JEWELL AND JERRY MILLER** | 8:00 - 10:00 p.m.  
Sat: **PROFESSOR LOUIE AND THE CROW-MATIX** | 8 - 10 p.m.  
Sun: **CASSANDRA KUBINSKI ALBUM RELEASE** | 7-9 p.m.

**Carson's Woodside Tavern**  
57 NY-9P, Malta  
518-584-9791

**Centre Street Pub**  
308 Union St., Schenectady  
518-393-2337  
Fri: **BRAD MONKELL BAND** | 4 p.m.  
Sat: **CHAOS MAGIC** | 4 p.m.

**Cohoes Music Hall**  
58 Remsen St., Cohoes  
518-434-0776  
Thurs: **Tab Benoit w/s/g The Misty Blues** | 8-11 p.m.  
Fri: **Into the Mystic: The Van Morrison Experience** | 8 p.m.

**The Comedy Works**  
388 Broadway, Saratoga Springs  
877-565-3849  
Wed: **ADRIENNE IAPALUCCI** | 8 p.m.

**Eden Cafe**  
269 Osborne Road #3, Albany  
518-977-3771  
Thurs: **The Tony Loves Trixie Show auditions and Rehearsal All welcome** | 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Fri: **Open Mic** | 6-10 p.m.  
Sat: **Meet The Eves of Eden** | 7:00-10:30 p.m.

**The Egg**  
Empire State Plaza., Albany  
518-473-1845  
Fri: **Darlingside** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Enter the Haggis** | 8 p.m.

**Emack & Bolio's**  
366 Delaware Ave., Albany  
518-512-5100

# HOT SPOTS EVENTS CALENDAR



## Putting today's hits on its ear

Postmodern Jukebox has an uncanny talent of turning today's hits into vintage, big band classics that every music lover will love. The band plays the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall on Thursday, Oct. 28, at 7:30 p.m.

Postmodern Jukebox

Sat: **Rick & Marliyn** | 7-10 p.m.  
**Empire Live/Underground**  
93 North Pearl St., Albany  
866-468-3399  
Wed: **Andrew McMahon: Three Pianos Tour** | 7 p.m.  
Fri: **After Dark Presents: Oujia Macc** | 7 p.m.  
Sat: **Gojira** | 7 p.m.

**Empire State Plaza**  
Empire State Plaza., Albany  
518-474-2418  
**Fort Orange Brewing**  
450 North Pearl St, Albany  
518-992-3103  
Thurs: **Weekly Contactless Trivia** | 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Funny Bone**  
1 Crossgates Mall Rd #K-206, Albany  
518-313-7484  
Fri: **Shuler King** | 7 p.m.  
Sat: **Shuler King** | 7 p.m.

**Gaffney's**  
16 Caroline St., Saratoga Springs  
518-587-7359  
**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  
Fri: **BUILT 4 BBQ'S HALLOWEEN AT THE HANGAR** | 8-11 p.m.

Sat: **HABIBI** | 7-10 p.m.  
**The Hollow Bar + Kitchen**  
79 North Pearl St., Albany  
518-426-8550  
Thurs: **Jimkata w/s/g Front Biz** | 8:30 p.m.  
Fri: **Kitchen Dwellers** | 7:30 p.m.  
Sat: **Conehead Buddha Halloween Party** | 8 p.m.  
**Lark Hall**  
351 Hudson Ave, Albany  
518-599-5804  
Fri: **Annie in the Water w/s/g Hill-top** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Magic Beans** | 8 p.m.

**The Linda**  
339 Central Ave, Albany  
518-465-5233  
Wed: **MARY GAUTHIER w.s.g. Jaimee Harris** | 8-10 p.m.

**McGeary's Irish Pub**  
4 Clinton Square, Albany  
518-463-1455  
Tues: **Trivia Night** | 7 p.m.

**Nanola**  
2639 Rt 9, Malta  
518-587-1300  
Sat: **Lucky Valentine Halloween Cosutme Party** | 8 p.m.

**The Night Owl**  
17 Maple Ave., Saratoga Springs  
518-319-2300

**Olde English Pub**  
683 Broadway, Albany. 518-434-6533

**The Palace Theatre**  
19 Clinton Ave., Albany  
518-465-4663  
Wed: **107.7 GNA's Secret Star Acoustic Jam** | 7 p.m.  
Fri: **Brothers Osborne** | 7:30 p.m.

**Panza's**  
129 So. Broadway, Saratoga Springs  
518-584-6882  
Fri: **Noreen Pratt** | 6:30 p.m.

**Parish Public House**  
388 Broadway, Albany  
518-465-0444

**The Parting Glass**  
40-42 Lake Ave., Saratoga Springs  
518-583-1916  
Fri: **Nocturne Troubadours** | 7-10 p.m.  
Sat: **Kilashandra** | 7-10 p.m.

**Paulys Hotel**  
337 Central Ave., Albany  
518-426-0828  
Thurs: **Lunar Ticks, The Whinn'n Boys and Rory Quinn** | 8 p.m.  
Fri: **ROCK & ROLL HALLOWEEN!!!!!! Society High, The Frozen Heads, The savage Randys & The Lunk Heads** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **FIRE** a tribute to Jimmy Hendrix and High Fashion Normalize | 8 p.m.

**Proctors**  
432 State Street., Schenectady  
518-346-6204  
Sat: **HALLOWEEN (1978)** | 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

**Putnam Place**

63a Putnam St., Saratoga Springs  
518-584-8066  
Fri: **The BrokenHearted (Tom Petty Tribute)** | 8-10 p.m.  
Sat: **Start Making Sense w/ Muddy Ruckus** | 9:00 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.

**Ravenswood Grill & Tavern**  
1021 NY 146, Clifton Park. 518-371-8771  
Tue: **Trivia Night** | 6:30 p.m.

**The Ruck**  
104 3rd St., Troy  
(518) 273-1872

**Rustic Barn Pub**  
150 Speigletown Rd., Troy  
518-235-5858  
Thurs: **Open Mic Night** | 6 p.m.  
Fri: **Vinyl Vault** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Halloween Party with River Junction** | 8 p.m.

**Saratoga City Tavern**  
19-21 Caroline St., Saratoga Springs  
518-581-3230  
Thurs: **Karaoke** | 9 p.m.  
Mon: **Bingo** | 8 p.m.  
Tues: **Trivia** | 8 p.m.

**SPAC**  
Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs  
518-584-9330

**Troy Savings Bank Music Hall**  
30 Second St., Troy  
518-273-0038  
Thurs: **Postmodern Jukebox The Grand Reopening Tour** | 7:30 p.m.  
Sat: **The World Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra** | 3:00 p.m.

**Van Slyck's**  
Rivers Casino & Resort  
1 Rush St., Schenectady  
518-579-8800  
Fri: **Jeanine Ouder Kirk** | 7-10 p.m.  
Sat: **Jeanine Ouder Kirk** | 7-10 p.m.

**Waterworks Pub**  
76 Central Ave., Albany  
518-465-9079  
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  
Every Sat in Oct: **Rob Aronstein** | 6-9 p.m.

EXHIBITS

**Albany Barn**  
**West African Drum and Dance With Jordan Taylor Hill**- Join local musician Jordan Taylor Hill, as he walks through the basics of West African Drum and Dance. All levels of skill and experience welcome! Every Monday at 6pm until the end of the year. Drumming begins at 6:00 and dance begins at 6:45. Gallery Hours: Weekdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; please call ahead. Albany Barn, 56 Second Ave. Albany. 518-935-4858 or albanybarn.org

**Albany Institute of History and Art**  
**Romancing the Rails: Train Travel in the 1920s and 1930s**

The 1920s and 30s were a kind of golden age for rail travel in the U.S., a period when railroads were portrayed as modern amenities that carried passengers to romantic getaways in luxury and comfort. Yet the story of railroads and rail travel during the period is much more complex, involving talented individuals, hardworking people, engineering accomplishments, celebrations, and momentous events. June 12, 2021-February 2022.

**The Hudson River School: Landscape Paintings from the Albany Institute**- The Albany Institute holds a large and important collection of nineteenth-century American landscape paintings, works often associated with the term "Hudson River School. This exhibit is currently ongoing.

**Nineteenth Century American Sculpture: Erastus Dow Palmer and His Protégés Launt Thompson, Charles Calverley, and Richard Park**- Designed to showcase the museum's nationally known collection of mid- to late-nineteenth-century sculpture, This exhibit is currently ongoing.

**Ancient Egypt**- Egyptologist and Guest Curator Dr. Peter Lacovara has incorporated the research and scientific discoveries revealed in the GE Presents: The Mystery of the Albany Mummies exhibition into a new exhibition about Ancient Egypt. This exhibit is currently ongoing.

**Traders & Culture: Colonial Albany and the Formation of American Identity**- This exhibition looks at those diverse peoples who shaped colonial Albany and the objects that reflect their

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## Bonfires in October

Jimkata, the trio that forever pays homage to a forgetful 80s film that introduces gym-fu following the 1984 Los Angeles Summer Games, is hitting The Hollow this week. Their music is just as thrilling, if not more — anthemic, synth-washed, electro-rock. See them with Front Biz on Thursday, Oct. 28, at 8:30 p.m.

Jimkata



### HOT DATE

#### DARLINGSIDE

Boston indie-folk band described as “exquisitely-arranged, literary-minded, baroque folk-pop.” See them at *The Egg* on Friday, Oct. 29, at 8 p.m.

interests, values, commercial, and social interactions. This exhibit is currently ongoing. The Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave. Albany, 518.463.4478.

#### Albany International Airport

**2021 Mohawk Hudson Regional-** This fall, for the first time in its 85 year history, the Artists of the Mohawk Hudson Region Exhibition will be presented simultaneously at the Albany International Airport Gallery. After receiving 561 entries by artists from across the region, jurors selected 143 works of art from 96 outstanding artists. There is information about every artist that will

be showcased here. Not sure if it was too much info to include. Open: Sept. 10 through Nov. 8, 2021. Location: 3rd Floor, Main Terminal, 737 Albany Shaker Rd, Albany, NY. 518-242-2241 or www.albanyairport.com/arts

#### Arts Center of the Capital Region

**Fence 2021-** The Fence Show is an annual celebration that pays homage to a time when members’ artwork was exhibited on the iron fence surrounding Washington Park in Troy, the original location of the Arts Center. Open September-December 2021. 265 River St., Troy. Gallery hours: Daily, Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. Free admission. 518-273-0552 or artscenteronline.org

#### The Clark Art Institute

**Erin Shirreff-** This yearlong exhibition in public spaces around the Clark examines Erin Shirreff’s practice—between analog and digital media, two and three dimensions, and still and moving images—and its fascination with the mythmaking behind art history. Through photographic manipulations of sculptures found in books, and ones of her own making, Shirreff asks what is left of the original experience of an artwork once it has entered the historical record, and what traces of an artist’s labor might still be legible after the fact. The exhibition includes photographs on paper and aluminum that have been creased and cut, to take on sculptural dimensions, as well as the artist’s video work. Open: Now- January 2nd, 2021. Advance timed ticket reservations are required.

#### Claude & Francois- Xavier Lalanne:

**Nature Transformed-** The imaginative and expertly crafted art of Claude Lalanne (1925–2019) and François-Xavier Lalanne (1927–2008) reflects their belief that the human, animal, and vegetal worlds share a profound kinship. Throughout their long careers they looked to nature for inspiration, creating

sculpture, furniture, and other works that morph natural objects into unexpected inventions that play with the boundaries between form and function. Open: May 8th - October 31st, 2021. Advance timed ticket reservations are required.

Museum hours: Daily, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Admission: Adults, \$20; children 18 and younger, free. 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. 413-458-2303 or www.clarkart.edu

#### Clement Art Gallery

**Ongoing: Permanent antique print and map room** exhibits. Gallery hours: Weekdays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission. 201 Broadway, Troy. 518-272-6811 or www.clementart.com

#### The Esther Massry Gallery

Massry Center for the Arts, The College of Saint Rose, 1002 Madison Ave., Albany. Gallery hours through Saturday, April 27: Tuesday through Saturday from noon to 5 p.m.; open until 8 p.m. on Thursday, closed on Sundays, academic holidays and between exhibitions. Free admission. 518-485-3902 or www.facebook.com/esthermassrygallery

#### The Hyde Collection

**Summer Bomb Pop: Collection in Dialogue-** Brings together seventeen works of contemporary abstract painting from the collection of the Tang Teaching Museum at Skidmore College by artists such as Sarah Braman, Jeffrey Gibson, Rashid Johnson, Mindy Shapero, and Chuck Webster with several twentieth-century works from The Hyde Collection’s renowned Feibes & Schmitt Collection by artists such as Grace Hartigan, Alfred Jensen, Ellsworth Kelly, Bridget Riley, and Andy Warhol. Summer Bomb Pop is organized by the Tang Teaching Museum in collaboration with Jonathan Canning, Director of Curatorial Affairs and Programming at The Hyde Collection. This exhibit is currently ongoing - October 31st.

**Masterpieces & Mysteries-** Artistic treasures and art historical queries,

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#### CLUES ACROSS

- Nuclear undersea weapon
- President of Syria al-\_\_
- Partner to flows
- “Snow” in Welsh
- Famed Mexican painter
- Song
- ticks outward from the crown
- Doddering
- Resist authority (slang)
- Antsy
- Wrath
- Spills the beans
- Past
- The woman
- One has 24 hours
- Talk
- It can sting
- Astronomy unit
- Halfway
- Chinese dynasty
- Australian river
- Software to transfer audio (abbr.)
- Fabric
- Crucifix
- Defunct European economic group
- “Hotel California” rockers
- Michael Knight’s car
- Actress Ryan
- A digital tape recording of sound
- Insecticide
- Scientific instrument
- Golden-\_\_ corn
- Israeli city \_\_ Aviv
- Sword
- Ottoman military title
- Aromatic plants
- Cold wind
- Large, semiaquatic reptile (slang)
- Political unit
- Indiscreetly reveal secrets
- Comfort food dish
- Actress Zellweger
- Romanian city

#### CLUES DOWN

- One point east of southeast
- Italian monetary unit
- Warship prison
- Tropical American tree
- Alias
- Normal or sound powers of mind
- English county
- Not compatible with
- Female deer
- Not late
- La \_\_ Tar Pits, Hollywood
- “Jupiter’s Legacy” actress Leslie
- Impudence
- Advices
- Founder of Babism
- A baglike structure in a plant or animal
- Male parent
- A type of plug
- Capital of Vietnam
- Fungal disease
- Shelter
- Finished
- Excrete
- Unhappy
- Partner to cheese
- Coffee receptacle
- Spend time dully
- Makes full
- Snakelike fish
- Take in solid food
- \_\_ student, learns healing
- A way to take away
- Impart a lesson to
- “Transformers” actress Fox
- Spiritual leader
- Every one of two or more things
- Indian city
- 17th stars
- Weapon
- Amounts of time
- Isodor \_\_, American Nobel physicist
- Soviet Socialist Republic
- Witness

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drawn from its vaults. Among the great works of art that Louis and Charlotte Hyde brought to Glens Falls are delicate works on paper so sensitive to the damaging effects of light that they can only be exhibited once every few years. Out from storage come watercolors by Winslow Homer, pastels by Edgar Degas, drawings by Henri Matisse, and a pen and ink sketch by Vincent Van Gogh. This exhibit is currently ongoing - October 31st. Museum hours: Daily, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, noon to 5 p.m., Closed Monday. Admission: adults, \$12; seniors (60+), \$10; Children, students (w/ID)/active military members and their families, free. 161 Warren St., Glens Falls. 518-792-1761 or hydecollection.org

**The Jan Rutland Memorial Artists' Space**

Gallery hours (through Thursday, Feb. 28): Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free. Second Floor, National Bottle Museum, 76 Milton Ave., Ballston Spa. 518-885-7589 or nationalbottlemuseum.org/the-jan-rutland-artists-space/

**Mabee Farm Historic Site**

**Redesigning Fashion: Transgression and Identity in Women's Historic Dress** - A partnership between SCHS and the Fashion & Textiles program at SUNY Oneonta. The collaboration has resulted in an exhibition that explores the historical importance of women's clothing and fashion in the expression of cultural values and the creation of identity, and examines how those ideals change over time. Open now - November 13th, 2021.

**Beyond the Pines: Early Schenectady** - Explore early Schenectady: its founding, its people, and what life was like for early Schenectadians. This exhibit is

ongoing.

**Changing Downtown** - At the heart of a successful downtown are interesting stories and unique buildings that illustrate a city's distinct character. Changing Downtown traces Schenectady's stories and buildings through the years, exploring the city's legacy of transformation and innovation. By discovering the forces that shaped downtown Schenectady, we can better understand ourselves, and our vision for the future. Open now - Dec. 31st, 2021.

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

**miSci**

**New York's World's Fairs** - The New York World's Fairs of 1939 and 1964 were landmark events in the lives of millions. Explore through photographs and films, the major attractions General Electric created for both fairs including the 10-million-volt Steinmetz Hall lightning generator, and the groundbreaking Progressland building that was designed in partnership with Walt Disney and featured the first public demo of nuclear fusion. On View Through Nov. 14, 2021

**Goose Bumps! The Science of Fear** - Goose Bumps! The Science of Fear explores the universal emotion that can save our lives. Through fun, interactive challenges and immersive environments, visitors can experience fear safely and discover the science behind their physical and emotional responses. The presentation was developed by the California Science Center and includes information based on the current research in neuro-



**HOT DATE**

**VINYL VAULT**

*It's not live music, but it's the next best thing. Rustic Barn Pub is spinning records of your favorite hits on Friday, Oct. 29, at 8 p.m.*

biology, physiology, and psychology. On View Through October 31, 2021. Museum hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (observatory open until 8 p.m. on Thursday); Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. 15 Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Admission: Adults (13+), \$12; seniors (65+), \$10; children (3-12) \$8. Additional \$6/person for planetarium show. 518-382-7890 or www.miSci.org



**Brothers' night out**

Brothers Osborne is one of the hottest country music acts on tour. Both the Academy of Country Music and Country Music Association named the two Vocal Duo of the Year in 2016 and 2017. They take the Palace Theatre on Friday, Oct. 29, at 7:30 p.m.

Brothers Osborne

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**Tab Benoit**

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Thursday, October 28 • 8pm  
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**HOT DATE**

**DANCE, KARAOKE**  
*It's a perfect pairing for a good night out to end the work week. Waterworks Pub on Friday, Oct. 29, from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m.*



## Haggis sounds great

There's no sitting still when Enter the Haggis takes the stage. This Canadian Celtic band has moved the masses for years and rolls into Albany to play The Egg on Saturday, Oct. 30, at 8 p.m.

Enter the Haggis

**National Museum of Dance Posters From Hollywood's Golden Age-** An unprecedented one hundred thirty dance movie posters from the collection of veteran producer Mike Kaplan are on view in three of the Museum's galleries. This rare and exceptional collection includes several American and international versions of Hollywood film posters which range in date from 1918 to the 1980s with the majority from the 1930s, 40s, and 50s. This exhibit is currently ongoing.

**On Being Still: Portraits By Joanne Savio-** Renowned photographer Joanne Savio has been documenting the arts community through portraiture since the 1980s. She has captured some of the most influential dancers and choreographers of our time including Mikhail Baryshnikov, Pina Bausch, and Elizabeth Streb in addition to several members of the Hall of Fame such as Merce Cunningham, Mark Morris, Gregory Hines, Bill T. Jones, and Trisha Brown. Her stunning,

iconic portraits of dancers and choreographers are on view in the Foyer.

**Dancers After Dark-** Dancers After Dark features photographs from Jordan Matter's 2016 book in which he documents nude dancers in iconic locations around the world. This exhibition also includes exclusive video from the making of Dancers After Dark. This exhibit is currently ongoing.

Museum hours: Daily, Tuesday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. 99 South

Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Admission: Adults, \$6.50; seniors/students (w/valid ID) \$5; children ages 4 to 12, \$3; children ages 3 and younger, free; free admission for all patrons on Tuesday. 518-584-2225 or www.dancemuseum.org

**New York State Museum Thomas Hart Benton**  
 In 1956 Thomas Hart Benton was commissioned by Robert Moses, chairman of the New York Power Authority, to create two murals for the powerhouse building

# HOROSCOPES

## October 2021 Week 4

**ARIES - MAR 21/APR 20**  
 There's no need to separate business and pleasure this week, Aries. You can find a way to combine them if you get creative. Get the work team on board.

**TAURUS - APR 21/MAY 21**  
 Taurus, if collaborating with someone else has you second-guessing yourself, venture out alone for a little bit and see what progress you made. You can always team up later.

**GEMINI - MAY 22/JUN 21**  
 Gemini, others look to your for support in the days ahead. Lend an ear and a helping hand if asked. Simply being there as a sounding board may be enough.

**CANCER - JUN 22/JUL 22**  
 Cancer, expect the unexpected in the days ahead. The unknown can be mysterious, and that can spice things up for a little while. Embrace the challenge.

**LEO - JUL 23/AUG 23**  
 Leo, your willpower may not be strong this week, so be on guard if temptation arises. It's alright to indulge once in awhile, but do your best to stay the course.

**VIRGO - AUG 24/SEPT 22**  
 Virgo, a little personal pampering can go a long way from time to time. You can't always look the other way regarding your personal needs. Help yourself to help others.

**LIBRA - SEPT 23/OCT 23**  
 Libra, you're usually cool as a cucumber, but something has you riled up this week that may be putting doubts in your head. Focus and breathe.

**SCORPIO - OCT 24/NOV 22**  
 Scorpio, you may feel like you are ready to throw caution to the wind, but deep down you know that's not your style. Continue to do your research and find the best way forward.

**SAGITTARIUS - NOV 23/DEC 21**  
 Sagittarius, a conversation with a loved one provides some clarity for both of you. Allow this heart-to-heart to serve as a foundation for future discussions.

**CAPRICORN - DEC 22/JAN 20**  
 Build restful moments into your schedule while working from home, Capricorn. This way you have a fine line between home and work life. Start today with a long lunch.

**AQUARIUS - JAN 21/FEB 18**  
 You can pursue different ventures all the while keeping your day job, Aquarius. It's not a "one-or-the-other" thing. If something feels like a calling, do your research.

**PISCES - FEB 19/MAR 20**  
 Take stock of your relationships, Pisces. Make sure that you are getting as much as you're giving. Work out any imbalances if necessary.



## Stardust woman

Cassandra Kubinski fell in love with Saratoga Springs and made it her home and now she's set to drop her latest EP, "#1MillionHearts" with a show at the Putnam Den on Sunday, Oct. 31, at 7 p.m..

Cassandra Kubinski

of the state's first hydropower facility in Massena. They feature Jacques Cartier's explorations of the St. Lawrence River and the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Alternately titled The Seneca Discover the French and Jacques Cartier Discovers the Indians, the murals depict the 16th-century encounters from two points of view. These life groups were on view at the Museum when it was at the State Education Building.

The original building in Massena where these murals were displayed is now closed to the public. They were removed and conserved beginning in 2018 and are on loan to the New York State Museum until Dec 31.

Also, "a small fort, which our people call Fort Orange." This exhibition examines the momentous discovery of Fort Orange and the lasting impact of events occurring there 400 years ago that shaped the character of the region, state, and the nation. Select artifacts, film footage from the excavation preceding the construction of I-787, and four decades of historical and archaeological research are highlighted.

Museum hours: Tuesday-Sun, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; 222 Madison Ave., Albany. Free admission; suggested donation of \$5/ person or \$10/family. 518-474-5877 or www.nysm.nysed.gov

**Opalka Gallery**  
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## From page B1 ...

GE

Still, Lang was an enterprising man, and he pitched GE on an idea of his own: Why not open “a real News Bureau” dealing with “genuine news stories,” he recalled. “From the many features I was handling, I could see how General Electric could secure considerably good publicity if they only put the material out in news style.”

GE liked the idea. The company hired Lang and opened its GE News Bureau in October 1921. Since then, GE reporters have covered the company’s contributions to progress, including innovations like the jet engine, medical imaging, the electrical grid, the power industry, lasers, LEDs and many more. Did you know that a GE executive led NASA during the historic first moon landing? Or that Steven Spielberg’s dad, Arnold, designed and built computers for GE? And did you hear about Don Wetzel, the man who drove a locomotive powered by a pair of GE jet engines down a stretch of Ohio tracks at 184 miles per hour, a U.S. rail speed record?

“Lang’s stories helped people understand how the technical work of the GE scientists and

engineers could improve their lives,” says Chris Hunter, a historian and vice president of collections and exhibitions at the Museum of Innovation and Science in Schenectady (miSci). “The work of the News Bureau forms the backbone of our collection at miSci, as we tell the story of how scientists and engineers have changed the world through power generation, electronics, medical imaging and transportation.”

And GE is still at it. My job as GE’s chief storyteller is to build on Lang’s foundation and expand it into the future.

Why should a global, high-tech industrial company be telling stories? There are thousands of engineers and scientists at GE seeking solutions to the world’s biggest challenges. Their research takes on climate change and the energy transition, precision health and more sustainable aviation — big issues that touch all of us. Their stories are as powerful as the technologies they are working on. We tell them to keep our readers informed and engaged, help them make them smarter decisions and prepare better for the future.

Stories have been around since long before there was electricity, long before there were books, long before we knew how to write. They bring us together, give our lives meaning and a sense of history. And we respond to them automatically. Books have been written about humans being the storytelling animals and having their brains wired for a story. Who knows our story better than us?

Lang quickly rose to lead the GE News Bureau. “I remember we were quite successful in those early days in syndicating full-page news stories” in newspapers as prominent as the New York Sun, he wrote in his recollections. He built his success on a tried-and-true formula we still use: Just tell a good story and people will come.

“My instructions to writers in the News Bureau were that they give final reading of the story and imagine themselves back on their former newspaper job,” he wrote. “Would that be the way they would like to receive the story? My thought at all times was to be of service to the newspapers, not to see how much free advertising could be slipped by the busy editor.” He added: “I was always on the lookout for the unusual angle, the slant which would make headlines sure to catch the attention of the busy reader.”

Even a century ago, the

reader’s time had become a precious commodity. The first commercial radio broadcast in the United States took place in 1920, and Lang saw an opportunity to expand the News Bureau’s reach. He knew from his own reporting that GE was working on radio. “Radio caught my fancy because it was a means of communication, disseminating news much like the newspaper was doing,” he wrote. Essentially, he was repurposing the news for a new distribution channel, just as today GE Reports stories can be found online, say, on LinkedIn, or in video form on YouTube.

Initially, he had no way to pursue this new passion. But in 1922, GE opened its own radio station, WGY — one of the first ten stations in the country — and News Bureau broadcasts became a part of regular programming.

Although Lang himself never became a household name — he compiled his memories on a typewriter and the document ended up in the archives of the Museum of Innovation and Science in Schenectady, New York — some of those who followed him did. One was Kurt Vonnegut Jr., the celebrated author of “Slaughterhouse-Five” and other bestselling novels. Vonnegut joined GE in 1947, when he was still an aspiring novelist. His brother, Bernard, was working at GE Research and

told him about the job.

Vonnegut spent just four years at the company, but it was an exciting ride. Years later, he told the scholar Robert K. Musil that “the job required my visiting the scientists and talking to them and asking them what they were up to. Every so often a good story would come out of it.”

He drew on the experience for his first novel, “Player Piano,” as well as “Cat’s Cradle,” which went on to become one of his most popular books. The catalyst of the plot involves a type of ice that forms even in warm weather. Vonnegut told George Plimpton that the idea for the substance came in a roundabout way from Irving Langmuir, the Nobel laureate and a colleague of his brother’s at GE Research. When the writer H.G. Wells came to see Langmuir, the scientist “thought he might entertain Wells with an idea for a science-fiction — about a form of ice that was stable at room temperature. Wells was uninterested, or at least never used the idea. And then Wells died, and then, finally, Langmuir died. I thought to myself: ‘Finders, keepers — the idea is mine.’”

Three years after Vonnegut left, another big name joined GE’s public relations department. Between his time in Hollywood and his two terms at the White House, Ronald Reagan helped

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Even with its extensive presence in print and on TV and radio, GE never stopped reaching out to new audiences. Comic books were as popular with kids and teens in the 1950s as Tik-Tok, Snapchat or Instagram are today. The company saw in comic books a powerful tool for engaging teenagers, getting them hooked on science and nudging

them toward STEM careers. One of the artists GE hired was George “Inky” Roussos of Batman fame. He drew stories for a series of books called “Adventures in Science.” The print runs were huge — reaching as high as 3 million — and the series covered everything from space travel to electricity. Of course, there was strict quality control. According to a GE magazine, the “drawings were shown to several vice presidents and managers” before publication. You could almost call this task a perk.

Today, GE Reports exists chiefly online, but it still draws millions of readers and viewers. Its core distribution vehicle, the GE Brief newsletter, enjoys 70,000 subscribers. GE businesses, including Healthcare, Power and Aviation, have embraced stories and have their own engaging podcasts, video



Aviation legend Amelia Earhart was among the many luminaries who visited GE’s WGY studio in Schenectady.

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series, and blogs. As GE’s chief storyteller, I take pride, joy and inspiration in the company’s rich lode of stories. I’ve watched Reagan on “General Electric Theater,” read a lot of Vonnegut and listened closely to Lang’s insights, many of which still resonate with me over the span of 100 years.

“I was most careful to never forget I was a newspaper man,” Lang wrote. “By that I mean I would not attempt to hand out a story which I didn’t feel was news... I think it was that careful handling of news which made the blue envelope of General Electric a welcome arrival at the editor’s desk” rather than going straight into the wastebasket.”

And so it goes, as Vonnegut might say, 100 years later.

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### Michael Buble at Times Union Center

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**ALBANY** — After four cancellations and eighteen months of waiting Michael Buble magically appeared by hidden elevator at the very top of his enormous bandshell which held his 34-piece orchestra (all women on strings, men

on horns, guitar, piano and drums) and eased his way into the very dramatic “Feeling Good.”

The crowd greeted him warmly for the Anthony Newley / Leslie Bricusse classic but no mention was made of Bricusse’s passing the day before. There would be dark subject matter addressed later in the evening.

With his second song, “I Just Haven’t Met You Yet,” his affair with the crowd was in full swing.



Michael Buble being as smooth as they get while performing before a Times Union Center crowd on Tuesday, Oct. 19.

Jim Gilbert / Nippertown

He did a hesitation step before venturing out onto the ramp which led to the center of the arena. He blew kisses, made funny faces, and left the end of song lines unfinished, turning the microphone to the crowd to finish his verse. The crowd ate it up and when he asked “How many of you, when you got the fourth e-mail saying the concert date had been rescheduled, said ‘F\*\*\* you, Michael Buble!’” There was a roar of approval that he acknowledged their frustration and validated their anger over our fate for the last year and a half. He went on about missing

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bell kick on his return in his bright green, Lucky Charms suit.

He introduced the next segment as his favorite part of the show, he would unironically reuse that phrase a couple more times in the evening. He said it was because he got to talk about himself and his small-town Canadian upbringing, discovering jazz through Bing Crosby's Christmas records. How his grandfather would trade his plumbing skills to sneak him underage into the nightclubs and how he always believed in him. Buble lost his grandfather just before the pandemic at age 92. "I hear you applaud

and everyone says, 'Oh, he had a nice long life. You had him for 92 years. And I think, No! I wanted him for another 92! He was my best friend.' He dedicated the next song, "Lazy River," to those who had lost someone recently. It was a moving and stunning moment of vulnerability in front of thousands only to be topped a few songs later when he started a song he wrote about his son Noah's health problems, "Forever Now," and couldn't get through the first verse. He quit the song and said, "Some nights are easy, some nights are just not easy."

Buble had effortless rapport with the crowd all night and if he didn't shy away from the schmaltz, he was also unafraid to hand a microphone over to a fan, Laurie from Watertown, who didn't know the lyrics

of her chosen song, "Fly Me to the Moon." The uncomfortable song and his lighthearted, generous reaction to it were a powerful example of grace under pressure. He was a hero to this not quite capacity crowd, according to him, "25 percent of the audience stayed home because they weren't ready yet. That's ok, their money is just as good."

A favorite moment in the show was him pulling a stool up to pianist Alan Chang for a cozy saloon "When I Fall in Love." The sound was impeccable, his glorious voice was at its easiest and most supple and responsive and the six screens projecting the band and star greatly served to make this intimate moment connect. There was a dedication to service members with "Home"

and another great touch was a staged impromptu jam session with a half dozen members of his band decamping from the bandstand for a stage at mid-court with a frisky collection of "Buona Serra," "Just a Gigolo," Chuck Berry's "You Never Can Tell" and "Nobody but Me." All that was left after the aforementioned show closing of "Cry Me a River" was a magnificent, heaven scraping encore of "Where or When" and the benediction of "Everything." "And in this crazy life, and through these crazy times / It's you, it's you, you make me sing / You're every line, you're every word, you're everything."

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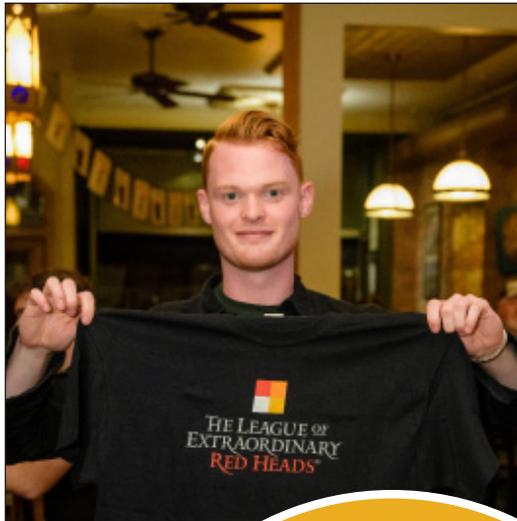
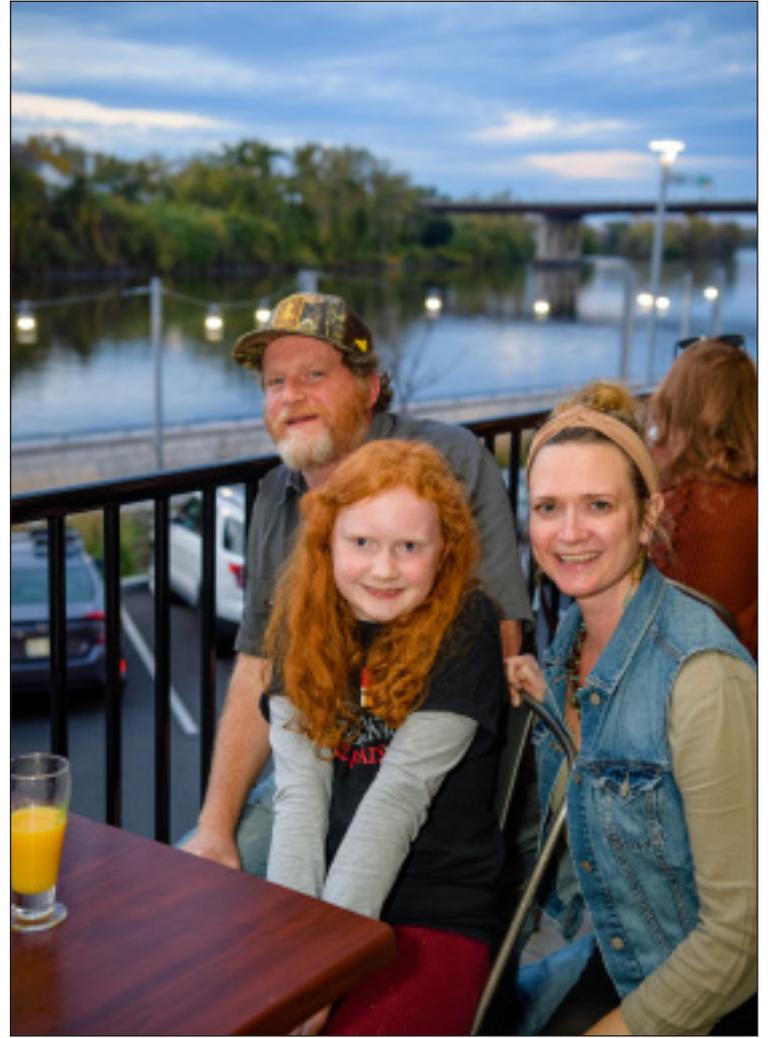
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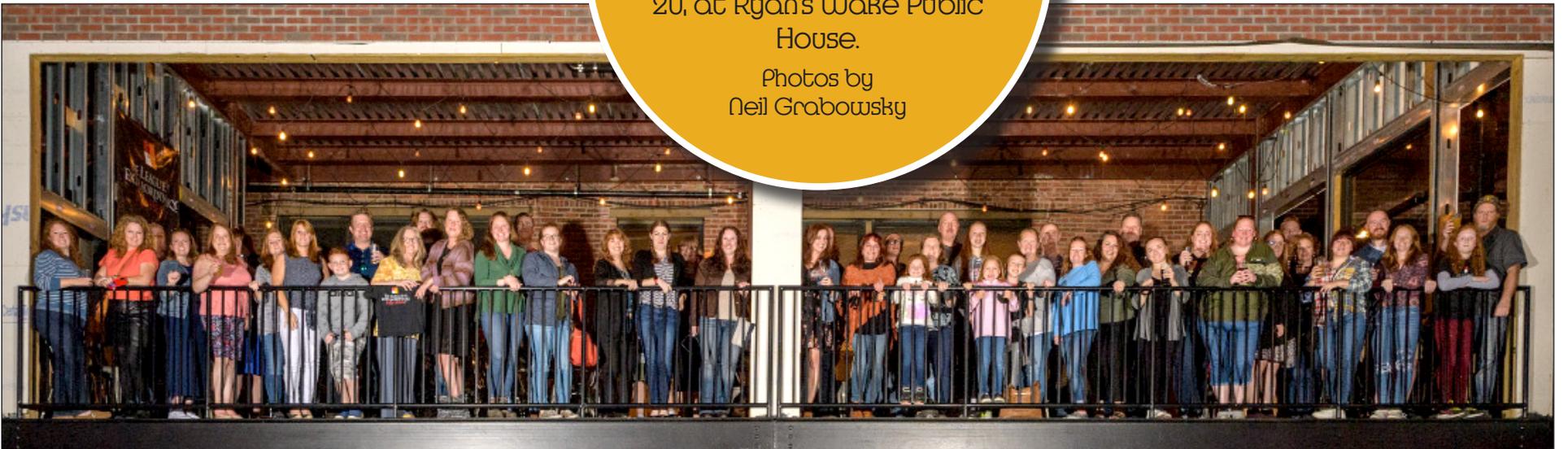
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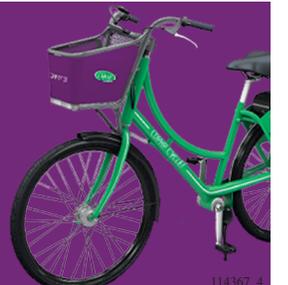
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# LIFE AFTER 50



- Fully vaxed seniors and travel plans
- Safe volunteering • Protecting your vision
- Health tips for men over 50

# Fully vaxed seniors and travel plans

The efforts of researchers and public health officials in developing safe and successful COVID-19 vaccines was nothing short of historic. Vaccines typically take years to develop, but a combination of factors enabled researchers to make COVID-19 vaccines available to vulnerable populations by December 2020, or roughly nine months after the World Health Organization declared a global pandemic.

Researchers had already conducted years' worth of vaccine research on human coronaviruses, which the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention notes were first identified in the mid-1960s. That research proved invaluable as pharmaceutical companies raced to produce COVID-19 vaccines. In addition, a less linear approach to testing and vetting vaccines than was traditionally applied in

past outbreaks enabled the vaccine to be rolled out more quickly, potentially saving millions of lives.

Men and women over the age of 65 were among the first groups to be given the COVID-19 vaccine. Many people within that group are retired and



had looked forward to traveling, only to have those plans interrupted by the pandemic. Now that they're fully vaccinated, seniors are setting their sights on travel once again. Though the COVID-19 vaccines have made vulnerable groups like seniors less likely to suffer severe illness from the virus, there's still a few things adults over 65 should know when making travel plans.

### The virus

Data from the CDC indicated that more than 87 million people in the United States had been

fully or partially vaccinated as of April 20, 2021.

Among those, just 7,157 had become infected with COVID-19, and only 331 of those required hospitalization. That an encouraging figure that illustrates just how effective the vaccines are at preventing infection and serious illness.

Recognizing that efficacy may help calm any concerns fully vaccinated seniors have about traveling.

### Restrictions

Though a significant portion of the eligible populations in the United States and Canada had been fully or partially vaccinated by mid-spring, overseas travel restrictions may still be in place. Some countries, such as India, continued to confront devastating waves of the virus and may not be allowing overseas visitors anytime soon. In addition, in mid-spring the European Union was still devising a strategy to allow fully vaccinated



foreign tourists to visit the continent. Proposals suggested such travel could be allowed by late June, but it's important that seniors learn of any potential restrictions before booking trips.

### Attractions

When planning a trip, seniors may want to look for areas with plenty of outdoor attractions. The CDC continues to

recommend that people, even those who are fully vaccinated, gather outdoors, where the virus is less likely to be transmitted. When traveling, seniors may be spending time around people who have not yet been vaccinated, and despite the efficacy of the vaccines, that might make some travelers nervous. So choosing locales with plenty of outdoor attractions can be a great way to quell any

travel-related concerns seniors may have.

The remarkable achievements of researchers involved in developing COVID-19 vaccines has helped seniors return to something resembling normal life. Seniors with their eyes on travel can safely book trips after doing some research about their destination and giving careful consideration to their comfort levels.

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# Safe Volunteering for Seniors

Charitable organizations rely on the efforts of volunteers to meet their missions every day. People of all ages can volunteer, and a great number of volunteers are seniors.

A 2016 survey from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics found that nearly one-quarter of American volunteers are age 65 and over. That was never more apparent than during the COVID-19 pandemic, when many nonprofit organizations were suddenly forced to confront a volunteer shortage due to the adoption of social distancing guidelines that were designed to keep vulnerable populations, such as seniors, as safe as possible. One study from Fidelity Charitable found that two out of three volunteers decreased or stopped contributing time during the pandemic.

The rollout of various COVID-19 vaccines has allowed vaccinated individuals to return to a certain degree of pre-pandemic normalcy. However, the threat posed by strains of the virus like the Delta variant has made some seniors apprehensive about returning to volunteering. Though each individual should consider various factors before returning to volunteering during the pandemic, the following are some options seniors can consider as they aim to safely pitch in once again.

• **Look for contactless opportunities.**

Interactions with the people they help and work alongside is what drives many volunteers to lend a helping hand. That's especially so for seniors whose children have grown up and moved out. In person interactions may be too risky during the pandemic, but seniors



can still volunteer via contactless opportunities. For example, in lieu of delivering meals by hand, seniors who work with organizations such as Meals on Wheels can deliver prepackaged meals outside recipients' residences.

• **Pitch in with fundraising.**

A report from Giving USA released in 2021 revealed that Americans gave more to charity in 2020 than in 2019. That increase came in spite of an economic downturn that saw millions of people lose

their jobs or take pay cuts as companies scrambled to deal with lost revenue related to the pandemic. Though giving might have increased in 2020, many nonprofit organizations, including local community theaters, likely suffered due to cancellations and

audience restrictions. As a result, many local nonprofit organizations are in need of financial support. Seniors who want to pitch in but stay safe can volunteer to help local organizations raise funds. Seniors can participate in fundraising efforts from the comforts of their own homes.

• **Offer professional expertise.**

Many seniors retired after spending decades mastering their crafts, and that experience can be an invaluable resource to local nonprofit organizations. Seniors can offer professional advice and mentor youths remotely via apps like Zoom without putting their physical health at risk.

Seniors concerned for their safety can still lend a hand by volunteering with their favorite nonprofit organizations.

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# Health tips for those over 50

## Health problems men may face in middle age

The human body requires constant upkeep in order for people to maintain their health over the long haul. An encouraging annual physical should inspire people to keep up the good work, while one that uncovers certain issues should spark changes designed to promote optimal health for years to come.

Men who work hard to keep themselves healthy should know that their hard work may not prevent certain issues. That's especially so for men in middle age, as men's risk for various conditions increases with age.

### High blood pressure/hypertension

Blood vessels naturally become less flexible as the body ages. WebMD notes that this decreased flexibility puts pressure

on the system responsible for carrying blood throughout the body. That's one reason why high blood pressure, also known as hypertension, is more common among aging adults. In fact, Johns



Hopkins Medicine notes that even people who do not have hypertension by age 55 to 65 still have a 90 percent chance of developing it at some point. The Mayo Clinic reports that, until age 64, hypertension is more common in men, so middle-aged men should take steps to reduce their risk even if retirement is still a long way off. Johns Hopkins Medicine notes that shedding excess weight, reducing alcohol consumption, becoming

more physically active, and reducing stress are just some of the ways adults can reduce their risk for hypertension.

### Heart disease

A recent report from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that a growing number of middle-aged Americans are dying from heart disease. Researchers at the CDC's National Center

for Health Statistics found that, between 2011 and 2017, the rate of deaths from heart disease for adults between the ages of 45 and 64 increased by 4 percent. The American Heart Association notes that a significant percentage of heart disease cases are linked to obesity, so men in middle age can make a concerted effort to lose weight if they're already overweight or obese. Middle-aged men who are currently maintaining healthy



weights can continue to do what they're doing while also recognizing that they may need to alter their diets and exercise regimens in the years ahead.

### Prostate problems

WebMD notes that the prostate begins to enlarge as men age. In fact, that process slowly begins around age 25. Enlargement of the prostate is known as benign prostatic

hyperplasia, or BPH, and it's entirely normal. However, around age 50, BPH can begin to produce some uncomfortable side effects. More frequent trips to the bathroom and difficulty with urination may begin around this time, and that's a result of the prostate growing larger. Various organizations recommend men, beginning around age 40, start speaking to their physicians about their family history in regard

to the prostate. Lifestyle changes like cutting back on caffeine and alcohol consumption may help reduce the side effects of an enlarging prostate by decreasing the number of times men must visit the toilet each day.

Men may have to confront various health issues in middle age. Many of these issues can be overcome or made less severe by implementing some simple strategies.

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# Safeguarding your precious eyesight

How active seniors can protect their vision

Retirement may be seen as a time to slow down and enjoy some well-earned rest and relaxation, but today's seniors clearly did not get the memo. Modern seniors look and act a lot different than traditional depictions of retirees.

The shift in attitudes regarding aging is noticeable in the growth of active retirement communities, which are designed for aging men and women who want to engage in activities where no chairs are required. Active seniors may not fit outdated stereotypes of cardigan-clad grandparents shuffling about dusty retirement homes, but even the most energetic retirees may still be vulnerable to age-related health complications. For example, the American Optometric Association

notes that men and women over the age of 60 may be vulnerable to age-related vision problems. A certain degree of vision loss is natural as men and women age, but that doesn't mean active seniors have to sit idly by. In fact, there are many ways for active seniors to protect their vision so they can continue

haul. The National Council On Aging notes that studies have found that omega-3 fatty acids, which can be found in foods like spinach, kale and salmon, can reduce individuals risk for age-related eye diseases. Seniors can speak with their physicians about other ways to utilize diet to combat age-related vision problems.

- **Protect your eyes and look cool at the same time.**



to get up and go without having to worry about losing their eyesight.

- **Make your diet work for you.**

The AOA notes that a number of eye diseases can develop after an individual turns 60, and some of these conditions can be minimized with wise lifestyle choices. For example, a healthy, nutrient-rich diet can protect vision over the long

Active seniors spend lots of time outdoors, and that may have an adverse effect on their vision. The NCOA notes that lengthy exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays can cause both short- and long-term eye damage. Thankfully, such issues are easily avoided if seniors wear sunglasses with UV protection when going outside. Brimmed hats also can protect the eyes from harmful UV rays.



- **Be mindful of screen time.**

Much has been made of how much screen time is healthy for young people. But seniors also are not immune to the potentially harmful effects of spending

too much time staring at their phones and other devices. The NCOA recommends seniors employ the 20-20-20 rule in regard to screen usage. Every 20 minutes, look about 20 feet away for 20 seconds. This quick exercise

can reduce eye strain.

An active lifestyle benefits seniors in myriad ways. Seniors should take steps to protect their vision so they can continue to get up and go long after they retire.



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# Simple ways to maintain memory

## Protect and sharpen your mind as you age

Adults confront various age-related side effects as they transition from middle age to their golden years. Skin may begin to wrinkle and hair may turn gray, but those are just the visible side effects of aging. Many additional effects are unseen, but those changes can have a profound effect on adults' quality of life.

According to the Mayo Clinic, various parts of the body are affected by aging. For example, the cardiovascular system changes as people grow older. Blood vessels and arteries stiffen as adults age, forcing the heart to work harder to pump blood through them.

Though many changes are linked to aging, other changes commonly associated with aging, such as a decline in memory,

reasoning and other thinking skills, are not natural. The Alzheimer's Association notes that dementia is not a normal part of aging. There are many different types of dementia, including Alzheimer's disease, and these are the result of



damage to brain cells that affect a person's ability to communicate. That damage is not inevitable, even if it's commonly associated with aging.

The Harvard Medical School notes that fleeting memory problems experienced with aging often reflect normal changes in the structure and function of the brain. But it's important that

those changes not be mistaken for dementia, and it's equally important that adults recognize there are many ways they can protect and sharpen their minds as they age.

- **Continue learning.**

HMS notes that a higher level of education is associated with improved mental functioning in old age. The reasons for that are unknown,

but experts theorize that advanced education compels people to remain mentally active, which in turn helps them maintain a strong memory. Even aging men and women who are still working in challenging fields can benefit from pursuing a new hobby or learning a new skill.

- **Use the tools at your disposal.**



It may seem counterintuitive to suggest that organizational tools like planners, maps and lists can help people maintain their memories. However, HMS notes that expending mental energy on finding car keys or trying to remember what to buy at the store makes it harder to learn new and important things.

- **Let all your senses play a role.**

HMS reports that the more senses a person uses to learn something, the more his or her brain is involved in retaining a memory. HMS cites one study in which adults were shown a series of emotionally neutral images that were each presented along with a smell.

Participants were not asked to recall what they saw, but were later shown a set of images and asked to indicate which they had previously seen. The participants had excellent recall for the odor-paired images, and researchers believe that's because additional parts of the brain were activated when participants were asked to use more than one sense.

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# Great holiday gifts for retirees who can't wait to travel

**R**etirement provides a chance for adults who have worked throughout their lives to take a step back, relax and enjoy the fruits of their labors. Though the most indelible image associated with retirement might once have been a rocking chair, modern retirees like to get up and go, and holiday shoppers can take that joie de vivre into consideration as they look for the perfect gift for retirees who can't wait to fly the friendly skies or hit the open road.

- **Maps:** It might seem simple, but roadmaps can be an ideal gift for retirees. A recent poll from RBC Wealth Management found that 63 percent of Americans age 50 and older say travel is an important retirement goal. Roadmaps of their own country or a foreign country can help seniors plan their dream vacations. Seniors can study maps and create their own routes as they visit popular tourist attractions and find lesser known locales along the way.

- **Vouchers/gift cards:** Airline vouchers can inspire retirees to take to the skies and visit locales that have long taken up real estate on their bucket lists. If seniors prefer to take to the open road, hotel vouchers or Visa gift cards that can be spent anywhere that accepts credit cards can help pay for gas, meals or entry to popular parks and tourist attractions.

- **Projector and portable screen:** Retirees may want to get away from it all, but that doesn't mean they have to leave everything behind. A projector and portable screen can let on-the-go seniors enjoy movie night under the stars or watch their favorite teams even when they're far from home. This can be an especially good gift for retirees who are anxious to gas up their RV and leave home behind for a few weeks.

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full year to more than 80 Parks Canada locations across the country.

- **Tablet:** Of course, retirees may still want to enjoy some of the comforts of home while they're off in parts unknown. A new tablet can help traveling retirees read the latest bestsellers and stay in touch with family and friends via video conferencing apps like Zoom. Many campgrounds and hotels now provide free WiFi to guests, so a tablet can be just what on-the-go retirees need to stay connected to life back home.

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