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No happy ending

Police confident found remains are that of Meghan Marohn, missing since March

By **JIM FRANCO**
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LEE, Mass — Police in Massachusetts believe the body of Bethlehem resident and Shaker High English teacher Meghan Marohn has been found.

▲ Bethlehem's Meghan Marohn left town to get away and checked into a hotel in Massachusetts back in March. Her family reported her missing soon after.

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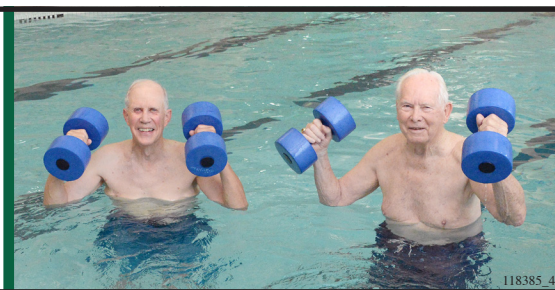
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Police arrest Ravena man for touching minors

Suspect charged with four counts of forcible touching



Austin S. Williams

RAVENA — Albany County Sheriff's Deputies arrested a 27-year-old Ravena man on charges relating to forcibly touching minors.

On Sunday, Aug 28, at approximately 4:44 p.m., deputies took several reports of sexual assault involving an adult male and minor females at the Mosher Park Pool in Ravena. The minor victims, whose ages range from 11-years-old to 15-years-old, all reported that over four days, Austin S.

Williams touched their intimate and private body parts, both over and under their bathing suits in the pool with no permission or right to do so. Parents of the children reported the incidents to deputies and met with Sheriff's Investigators regarding the matter.

On Monday, Aug 29, Williams was arrested and charged with four counts of forcible touching and three counts of endangering the welfare of a child, both misdemeanors.

He was arraigned in the Town of Coeymans Court the same day and released to the supervision of probation.

Williams was ordered to stay away from The Mosher Park Pool and orders of protection were issued for the victims. If there are any other victims of Williams, please contact the Albany County Sheriff's Department at (518) 765-5980.

—John McIntyre

Grand Larceny at Walmart

GLENMONT — On Wednesday, Aug 31 a loss prevention associate at Walmart on Route 9w observed a 52 year old Albany man conceal merchandise in his black backpack and place more in a shopping cart and leave the store.

Bethlehem police responded to the store and took the man into custody. The merchandise totaled \$1,219.42 and he was charged with grand larceny, a felony.

The man was arraigned by Bethlehem Town Judge Andrew Kirby and sent to the Albany County Jail without bail due to his extensive criminal history, including two felony convictions. He is scheduled to return to court on Tuesday, Sept. 6. Bethlehem police also notified his parole officer.

Pegler was originally charged with possession of a sexual performance by a child and promoting a sexual performance by a child, both felonies, and obstructing governmental administration and resisting arrest, both misdemeanors, on July 21.

His arrest followed an investigation stemming from a cyber tip received by the New York State Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and the execution of a search warrant at his residence.

He was arraigned in Bethlehem Town Court, where bail was set at \$25,000 cash or \$50,000 bond. He was issued an appearance ticket for the new charge that is returnable to the Bethlehem Town Court on Wednesday, Sept. 20 and released.

Where there's smoke, DWI

DELMAR — Bethlehem police responded to the Delmar Bypass on Monday, Aug 29 for a report of a motor-vehicle fire. Upon arrival officers found a 43-year-old man from Rensselaer standing by his Kia Amanti. Witnesses' accounts and the man's admission determined that he was the driver of the vehicle and the officer noticed the odor of an alcoholic beverage emanating from the man's breath. The man also had bloodshot, watery and droopy eyes.

He admitted having two beers while playing golf earlier.

The man was given and failed field sobriety tests, tested positive for breath alcohol on a preliminary pre-screening device and taken into custody.

At the police station, he refused to take a breath test and was charged with DWI.

The man was given a bill of particulars, issued tickets and is scheduled to return to Bethlehem Town Court on Wednesday, Sept. 20.

Slingerlands man faces more charges for stolen property

SLINGERLANDS — A local man charged with possessing and promoting images consistent with child sexual exploitation via the internet in July, has been charged with possessing stolen items from his neighbors, including items used to perpetrate the online crimes.

State Police arrested and charged Andrew Pegler, 35, an additional charge of criminal possession of stolen property, a misdemeanor, on Tuesday, Aug. 30. An investigation by Bethlehem police revealed the thefts of items from various neighbors including: a Lenovo laptop, a passport, a driver's license, wallet, multiple thumb drives and external storage devices, a laptop bag, and multiple pieces of women's underwear. Details of that investigation and the items were turned over to State Police.



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TOWN NEWS

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Meghan Marohn

According to Berkshire County District Attorney Andrea Harrington, a civilian found the remains on Thursday, Sept. 1 in a heavily wooded area near Fox Drive, in Lee. The body was taken by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to determine a positive identification.

Police were still canvassing the area where the body was found but the evidence collected thus far “indicates a high likelihood that the remains are that of Marohn,” according to Harrington’s office.

A spokesman for the office, Andrew McKeever, said there would be no immediate information about the cause of death or if foul play was involved.

The 42-year-old who was living in Delmar while taking care of her father was last seen on March 27, and her family reported her missing two days later. She had been on leave from her position at Shaker High and had gone to Longcope Park in the Berkshires for some hiking and a quiet get away. Her car was found near the trailhead to the park the day she was reported missing and a massive search was undertaken by emergency personnel from two states. There was no trace of her until Thursday.

In May, there was a vigil held at Shaker High School and her family had offered a \$50,000 reward for any information leading to her whereabouts. Her brother, Peter Naple, said not knowing what happened to his sister was the hardest part.

“The uncertainty, and the space we have been in for the last seven weeks where we don’t know whether to grieve, or we have hope,” he said during a heart-wrenching question and answer following the vigil. “Is there hope, is there grief? What is there. We have to just continue to have hope we are going to find her and move on from there.”

Her colleagues and students remembered her as being passionate about social justice issues and climate change and one willing to look out for those who didn’t always fit in with the mainstream crowd. She also started the Troy Poetry Project and was often seen at the farmer’s market typing poetry on demand on an old, manual typewriter.

“The value of a good teacher cannot be overstated or go unrecognized. She told me people in our lives, we either grow from or grow with and Ms.

Marohn is someone I grew with,” said one of her students, Kamillia Barrett during the vigil. “I can’t emphasize enough how special Ms. Marohn made every day at Shaker High. The past few months have been moving in slow motion without the blur of her red hair in the halls.”

The area where she disappeared is densely wooded and the Lee Police Chief Craig DeSantis told the Times Union late last month that it could be while if that is in fact where she is. Recently, he said, a person died of a medical condition in those same woods and it took nine months to find the body.

As time dragged on, and the coordinated search efforts by a number of agencies — including the Lee police, Massachusetts State Police, the Albany County Sheriff’s Department and Bethlehem police — continued, speculation began to mount over what happened and why she was on leave from her position at Shaker High.

A number of publications, mainly based on social media posts, claim there was a male co-worker involved but that was largely unsubstantiated and DeSantis has said any and all leads were followed up. Others maintain that she was on leave from Shaker High because of mental health problems associated with teaching during a global pandemic.

Her family also took to social media and began a “Find Meghan Marohn” website and a corresponding Facebook Page. It has been dormant since June, 19, when the family posted: “It’s been 12 weeks now ... our hearts are broken that there has been nothing to bring us closer to finding Meghan. Someone, somewhere knows what happened or saw something that weekend that perhaps seemed odd maybe, but didn’t give it a second thought. PLEASE, if you can share what you know, even if it seems insignificant, it may be the missing piece that we need! If by chance you are out there somewhere Meghan ... WE LOVE YOU. WE MISS YOU. Please come home or let us know you are okay.”

Currently, Lee Police, the Berkshire State Police Detective Unit assigned to the Berkshire District Attorney’s Office and Bethlehem police are investigating the circumstances surrounding Marohn’s disappearance, McKeever said in a statement.

future breaks and problems. This will result in partial road and lane closures in the work areas, and we recommend that you use alternate routes to avoid the active construction zones.

Work is anticipated to continue until approximately October 14.

Town seeks two for IDA board

DELMAR — The Bethlehem Town Board will be considering candidates for appointment to the Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency (IDA) board.

The BIDA is an independent agency authorized under state law, and its board members serve without compensation and at the pleasure of the Town Board.

Candidates must be town residents and should have or develop general knowledge of Bethlehem’s development patterns and economic development goals.

General qualifications would include an understanding of the legal, ethical, and fiduciary responsibilities of membership on the agency, personal and professional integrity, good independent business judgement, demonstrated commitment to the community, and relevant experience and skills which will enable the agency to carry out its mission of enhancing economic development.

Further information on the Bethlehem IDA and the Comprehensive Plan is available on the Town website at www.townofbethlehem.org or www.bethlehemida.com.

Email a cover letter and resume to Robin Nagengast, Town Supervisor’s Office at RNagengast@townofbethlehem.org.

Town seeks two for Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee

DELMAR — The Town Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee is in need of two passionate and knowledgeable residents who want to serve their community on this volunteer advisory committee.

At this time, two seats are available on the Committee. Candidates from marginalized or underrepresented backgrounds are sought and encouraged to apply. The committee is interested in receiving responses from candidates with experience in marketing and/or project management.

Individuals from North Bethlehem, South Bethlehem, Selkirk, Glenmont, and Elsmere are encouraged to apply.

In February 2009, the Town Board established the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee to address bicycle and pedestrian mobility issues in the Town. The Committee has used a “5E” approach over the years, focusing on engineering, education, enforcement, engagement, and encouragement.

The majority of the Committee’s meetings occur on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.. Meetings are

currently held in Town Hall Room 101 with the option for attendance via Zoom. In-person attendance is strongly encouraged.

To apply, send a cover letter and resume to Nate Owens at nowens@townofbethlehem.org no later than Monday, Sept. 12, at 8 a.m.

AARP Smart Driving Courses

DELMAR — The Bethlehem Town Hall Auditorium will host the first of two AARP Smart Driving Courses on Tuesday, Sept. 27, from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A second class will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 25.

Reservations for either class begin on Sept. 6, at 9 a.m. Classes cost \$25 for AARP members and \$30 for non-members. Payment is required within seven days of registration. Pay by check or money order payable to AARP, and write your membership number in the memo section of your check.

For questions, call 518-439-4955, ext. 1168.

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Sewer main work in Delmar

DELMAR — Bethlehem road crews will begin working on sewer main repairs, creating limited traffic on area roads, starting Monday, Sept. 5.

The work areas will include the intersection of Hawthorne Avenue, Adams Place and Adams Street near the Pocket Park) at 179 Adams Street; near 40 Delmar Place; and near 60 Delmar Place.

The sewer mains in these locations have started

to fail, which could lead to sewage backups into homes and sinkholes in the roadways.

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SARATOGA SPRINGS — Stewart's Shops milk has been named the best in New York State, by Cornell University Department of Food Science. This award was presented on Dairy Day, Sept. 1.

The recognition is part of Cornell's New York State Milk Quality Improvement Program.

Cornell University collected samples from New York State plants. The samples of whole milk, 2 percent, 1 percent, fat-free milk, flavored milk, and chocolate milk were scored on various criteria, including best flavor. Milk samples are judged on microbial analyses, fat determination, freezing point and flavor.

Stewart's Shops proudly took top honors in the milk categories and to celebrate this award, we are giving out double punches on Milk Club Cards from Monday, Sept. 5 to Sunday, Sept 11.

"With roots in dairy, we pride ourselves on our longstanding history of providing fresh and local milk to our customers," said Stewart's Shops President Gary Dake. "This Best Milk award is a testament to our hard-working dairy farmers and our experience in the dairy industry. Our customers can feel good about buying their milk and ice cream from Stewart's Shops knowing that they are supporting local dairy farmers."



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LOCAL BUSINESS

National Bank of Coxsackie announces Jennifer Vollar to join Glenmont Branch

COXSACKIE — The National Bank of Coxsackie recently announced Jennifer Vollar has joined their team as the new Branch Manager for their Glenmont location.

"I am super excited about joining the NBC team."

Vollar comes to National Bank of Coxsackie with both management and banking experience. She joins NBC most recently from Sidney Federal Credit Union where she was a Branch Manager. Her prior experience includes being a Banker and Assistant Manager for Citizens Bank.

"I am super excited about joining the NBC team." Vollar said, "I look forward to working with everyone as we continue to build a strong branch in Glenmont. It is a wonderful feeling to be part of a hometown community bank that takes pride in their staff and makes their customers feel like family." Vollar went on to say "Glenmont is a beautiful area. I am looking forward to getting to know all of our customers and the local community."

National Bank of Coxsackie CEO John A. Balli is also glad to add more talent to the team: "The potential for growth is outstanding. I look forward to continuing to work with such a strong team to help serve the Capital Region's financial needs."

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HEARt Boutique open house

GLENMONT — HEARt Ear Boutique open house is planned for Thursday and Friday, Sept. 15 and 16, at its Glenmont and Coxsackie locations.

Hosted by owner and specialists Robert LaCosta, visitors can receive a free hearing evaluation, as well as meet guest Eric Loewenguth, account manager for Oticon Hearing Company.

Loewenguth has 17 years in the hearing industry as an account manager to help support, consult and train hearing care practices in

upstate New York and Vermont. He was born, raised and continues to live in Upstate NY. One of his work responsibilities has been participating and supporting practices over the last 17 years in their Hearing Health Events. In his free time, he likes to play tennis, boat and is an avid Syracuse Orange and Buffalo Bills Fan.

Over 10,000 hearing-impaired patients have been fitted successfully by HEARt Ear Boutique owner Robert LaCosta. He is relentless in making sure that the fitting meets the needs of the person and doesn't believe in "lost causes" nor seen a case where he couldn't help a patient hear better – almost always through a partnership with the hearing-impaired client. He is known for his compassion and focus on the individual. His reputation spans three decades, including his years as the former owner of a 16-office practice where he hired, managed and oversaw many dispensers and audiologists with their fittings. He has been sought out by medical doctors, engineers and others in the health field and has attracted patients from as far as Hollywood, CA, South Carolina and India. He has participated in many overseas missions.

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TOWN

A tale of two towns around the port

Protests from Glenmont residents met by support from community advocates, union workers

By MICHAEL HALLISEY
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ALBANY — It was standing room only as the Albany Port District Commission hosted an audience to hear both admonishment and support for the \$350 million offshore wind turbine tower manufacturing facility.

The Commission moved its monthly board meeting to a conference room at the Albany Capital Center to better accommodate a larger audience on Wednesday, Aug. 31.

Its meetings have drawn more attention since contractors cleared trees off of Beacon Island in May.

Since then, neighboring residents have sued the port and the Town of Bethlehem over claims they were not properly notified.

The nearly three dozen residents who have filed suit against the expansion plan have flooded town board meetings, using the public comment section as a platform to demand plans be walked back. With the lawsuit pending, board members have held back commenting on specifics. The Bethlehem Planning Board has gone as far as to redefine public comment rules, limiting comments to current agenda items only.

But in Albany, the audience dynamic was splintered. Of the nearly 100 in attendance, more than half were union members and apprentice workers, identified by hard hats and bright yellow safety vests. Still more represented neighborhood advocate groups who “relished” the promise of



A conference room is full of nearly 100 people to attend the Albany Port District Commission board meeting at the Albany Capital Center.

Michael Hallisey / Spotlight News

more than 500 jobs going to Albany residents.

“We relish this opportunity and have been working with the port for a couple of years now to

ensure that this is gonna be an opportunity for so many people in this room in the greater Capital Region to go to work right at home,” said Mike Lyons, President

of the Capital Region Building Trades and President of the Business Manager of the Operating Engineers.

Lyons was the first

to speak before the board, later followed by community leaders who shared excitement over opportunities specifically for an impoverished South End neighborhood. They included Kereem Berry, Executive Director of The Multi-Craft Apprenticeship Preparation Program. The Rochester-based not-for-profit organization has recently opened a training center in Albany, providing a gateway into a career-track opportunity in the construction industry to historically under-served populations — particularly Black men and women.

“Now they have a chance, they have a voice and the opportunity to actually have a career and a middle-class lifestyle,” Berry said. “What we’re trying to do is get people out of poverty and get them actually living wage. Is that they will be able

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EDUCATION

VCSD welcomes new principal

VOORHEESVILLE — When school starts up, Clayton A. Bouton High School will have a new high school principal.

Last month the Voorheesville Central School Board appointed Kristin DuGuay as the high school's new principal after a competitive process that included interviews with district leadership, administration and faculty, and community stakeholder interviews with staff, parents and a student.

"Voorheesville Central School District provides its students with a world class education and I am grateful to be part of such an outstanding team," DuGuay said. "As a leader, one thing I value most is building strong and trusting relationships with stakeholders in the school, community, and beyond. I look forward to getting to know the students, staff, and families and hearing about what makes Voorheesville such a great place to work and attend school. I am open-minded and believe in a growth mindset, so I encourage you to share new ideas and thoughts around how to enhance the learning experience for all students. I look forward to being part of a community that is committed to and invested in the students at the school."

DuGuay was previously employed

by Schoharie Central School District. She is state certified in the areas of School Building Leadership, Literacy 5-12, and English Language Arts 7-12. For the last three years, as the Assistant Principal at Schoharie Jr./Sr. High School and Data Protection Officer for Schoharie CSD, DuGuay has worked with many teams to optimize the learning atmosphere, student achievement, and overall social-emotional well-being of staff and students. In addition, for nine years she was a high school English Language Arts Teacher at Johnstown CSD where she also spent a year and a half as Program Coordinator of the Computer Science & Game Arts PTECH.

She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Education (English Language Arts) at the College of Saint Rose in 2009. From there, she completed a Master of Science in Literacy Education 5-12 and a Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership at SUNY Plattsburgh.

"We are pleased to have Mrs. DuGuay as part of the Clayton A. Bouton team," said Superintendent Frank Macri said. "She values community involvement and respects inclusivity. The district has confidence that Mrs. DuGuay will be able to build connections and be effectively responsive to the needs of our students and staff."

VCSD launches 1:1 Chromebook initiative

VOORHEESVILLE — Since the start of the pandemic in March 2020, it has become increasingly apparent that access to reliable and safe technology is a key component of any school district's educational program. Over the past year, Voorheesville Central School District has been developing a 1:1 Chromebook initiative to maximize students' ability to utilize technology.

With that in mind, the district is pleased to announce the launch of the initiative for all students in grades 6-12.

Beginning this fall, all middle and high school students will receive a Chromebook to use for instruction, research, communication, and other tasks directly related to their education at VCSD. The devices may be used at home and school.

Students will be

expected to use their school-issued Chromebook each school day; personal devices not issued by the district will no longer be allowed access to the district network.

"In this era of cyber security risks and identity theft, we have a duty to protect our students as best we can," said instructional technology integration specialist Shauna Worthley. "By only allowing district-issued devices on the school network, we can ensure that all machines are up-to-date and have been given the proper security clearances."

In addition to increasing data security, the new initiative aims to also close any existing technology gaps among students.

"With this program, we are making great strides to ensure that all of our students have access to the technology they need to be engaged and successful," said Worthley.

The Chromebooks, purchased in part through grant funding and as an item in the approved

2022-23 school budget, will be distributed to students on both August 31 and September 1 between 3-6 p.m. in the High School PAC. Parents will need to complete a Chromebook Initiative Contract before a device is given to their child(ren) and are encouraged to review the Chromebook Initiative Handbook available on the district website.

As for the younger students? Chromebooks will be made available to them, as well, in the upcoming school year. Students in grades 3-5 will participate in the 1:1 program but will not be able to bring their devices home. Instead, they will stay in the school building for the duration of the year. Students in grades K-2 will also have access to Chromebooks through the availability of classroom technology carts.

For more information on the new 1:1 Chromebook initiative, please visit the Technology home page of the district website.

Stage at school playground

VOORHEESVILLE — When students return to Voorheesville Elementary School this fall, they will be greeted by an exciting new addition to the playground area—a brand new performance stage.

The playground, rebuilt back in 2018 provides numerous recreational and educational opportunities for students throughout the year. However, a stage was not completed as part of the initial installation.

District parent and community volunteer Jaime Chismark reached out to the district earlier this spring/summer and offered to coordinate the construction of the stage.

“I love that the stage is for imaginative play,” said Chismark. “It will allow both students and teachers to tap into their creative sides for many years to come.”

With the help of numerous community members, local businesses and a grant from the Voorheesville Community and School Foundation,

construction began in early August. The site was uncovered by Jerry Parmenter and his team from Elemental Landscape, Inc. before holes were dug and cleaned up by volunteers Dave Chismark, Kevin Hotaling, Austin Willoughby and Neil Volk.

The site was then prepped and concrete was poured courtesy of Luke Thomson and his sons Ethan and Ryan along with Kevin Hotaling.

The stage was built with the help of Luke Thomson, Kevin Hotaling and Austin Willoughby. Elemental Landscape, Inc. and Eric Reilly will return later in the week to install a ramp allowing for greater accessibility for all students.

“The new stage is a great addition to our playground area,” said Superintendent of Schools Frank Macri. “I am so excited that we are able to provide this resource for our school community.”

VES hires crossing guard

VOORHEESVILLE — Our elementary students who walk or ride their bike to school will



First day of school vibe

RAVENA — Ravena Coeymans Selkirk School District buildings were once again on Thursday, Sept 1, filled with teachers, administrators, and staff as they got ready for the 2022-2023 school year. They participated in trainings, caught up with colleagues, and are putting the final touches on their plans for the new school year.

Ravena Coeymans Selkirk School District

be better protected with a new crossing guard to control the flow of traffic at the intersection of 85A and 156.

“The district is excited to partner with the village to offer an added layer of safety for our community,”

said Superintendent Frank Macri. Lea Foster will be a school-time crossing guard for the elementary school between the hours of 8 to 9 a.m. and 2:45 to 3:30 p.m.

“It was decided it was a great idea and everyone cooperated to have it in

place at the start of the school year,” said Board of Trustee Jack Stevens. “Hats off to Bethlehem Sergeant Brian Hughes for helping us out,” he added.

Lea Foster is a parent of students attending VCSD. She completed

a training program led by the Bethlehem Police Department and is ready to serve the community when students return on Tuesday, Sept. 6.

BCHS play will celebrate artist Vincent Van Gogh

DELMAR — TWON is thrilled to announce that Sunflowers, a new play about the life of Vincent Van Gogh, written by Amy Roos, will perform live from Thursday, Dec. 8 to Sunday, Dec. 11.

“Sunflowers” shares the story of the last ten years of Van Gogh’s life, from when he first picked up a paintbrush and began his life as an artist, until his untimely death at 37.

Van Gogh lived a complicated and often heartbreaking existence. Yet despite his personal challenges, he wanted to be known as someone who loved deeply. He desperately wanted to leave something beautiful to the world.

Auditions will be Tuesday, Sept. 27. Visit www.bcstage700.org for information.

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■ POLITICS

Zeldin stops locally on campaign trail

Gubernatorial candidate tries to rally the troops with two months to go

By **JIM FRANCO**
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COLONIE — Capital District Republicans rallied around their statewide ticket along Central Avenue on Tuesday, Aug. 30.

Lee Zeldin, the GOP candidate for governor, while standing in front of a red “Save the State” bus, hammered home the main themes of his campaign and criticized a recent poll claiming he was more than 20 points down with the election some two months out.

The Republican congressmen from Long Island said crime was a priority on the minds of New Yorkers and echoed calls to repeal reform to the bail system initiated by the Democrat-dominated state Legislature two years ago.

“I unapologetically back



Lee Zeldin
Gage Skidmore

our men and women in law enforcement and I do it proudly,” he said, with a nod to his lieutenant governor candidate, retired New York City police officer Alison Esposito. “I believe rogue district attorneys who refuse to enforce the law and want to put handcuffs on law enforcement and refuse to put handcuffs on criminals should be forced to do their job.”

To reassure the party faithful,

he addressed a recent poll by Survey USA, commissioned by WNYT in Albany, that found him 24 points down.

“It’s a fake poll. It’s not real. They didn’t verify registered voters or check voter history or any of that. There are those who study these things and say ‘this is a fake poll’ and there are others who echo it and declare ‘this is over,’” he said. “What we are tracking internally is this an 8-point race. That is not good enough because we are in this race to win. But, I’ll tell you what, when the polling said George Pataki, in the last week of the election, was going to lose by 11.5 and he won by 3.5, they were 15 points off and it’s only August.”

While that may be true, some polls had Pataki running neck and neck against the three-term incumbent Gov. Mario Cuomo as early as September. According to the Buffalo News, in an article published on Sept. 9, 1994, a poll by Mason-Dixon/Media Research had Pataki with 2-point lead. On Oct. 5, 1994,

the New York Times cited a poll that found Pataki had a 3-point lead, 44-41, with 12 percent still undecided.

“Over the course of the next two months, they will tell us we don’t have a chance, some are in the media and you know Kathy Hochul and the Democrats will do it,” he said to about 200 supporters. “They are going to try and convince you this race is over.”

Hochul, a Democrat from Buffalo, was elevated to the position position after Gov. Andrew Cuomo resigned in disgrace. While an Aug. 2 Siena College Research Institute poll found Hochul with a 14-point lead, her favorability rating was under 50 percent. The same poll found 41 percent of the likely voters had no opinion or had not heard of Zeldin.

Zeldin is attempting to change that last stat by making state-wide tour with his “Save the State” bus and making a grassroots appeal to party loyalists.

A number of Capital District

Republicans — some in office and some running for office — spoke including Colonie Supervisor Peter Crummey, Colonie Town Board members Jeff Madden and Danielle Futia, Albany County Legislature Peter Grimm, Rensselaer County Executive Steve McLaughlin, state Assembly candidate Alexandra Vellella and state Supreme Court candidate Tom Marcelle.

“She said she was going after me for my views which means she was going after all of you,” Zeldin said. “If you believe like I do we should repeal cashless bail reform. If you believe like I do there isn’t enough upward economic mobility and opportunity in this state and it costs too much to survive here and we need to bring spending under control and cut taxes across the board. We are on a mission to save the state. We, our families, our neighbors and really our entire state is at a breaking point right now. Laws, safety, freedom the quality of our kids’ education are under attack and we will not stand for it.”

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Cheerleading

Sat, Oct 08, @ Schenectady (Fall), 1 p.m.

Boys Cross Country

Tue, Sep 06, Columbia, Albany @ Schenectady, 4:30 p.m.
Tue, Sep 13, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, Troy @ Colonie, 4:15 p.m.
Tue, Sep 20, Bethlehem, CBA @ Niskayuna, 4:15 p.m.
Tue, Sep 27, Shaker, Averill Park, 4:15 p.m.
Tue, Oct 11, Ballston Spa, Shenendehowa, Saratoga Springs, 4:15 p.m.
Sat, Oct 29, Vs. Multiple, 9 a.m.

Boys Football

Fri, Sep 09, Averill Park, 7 p.m.
Fri, Sep 16, Colonie, 7 p.m.
Fri, Sep 23, @ Saratoga Springs, 7 p.m.
Fri, Sep 30, Bethlehem, 7:30 p.m.
Sat, Oct 08, @ Schenectady, 1 p.m.
Fri, Oct 14, @ CBA, 7 p.m.
Fri, Oct 21, Shaker, 7 p.m.
Fri, Oct 28, @ Shenendehowa, 7 p.m.

Boys Golf

Wed, Aug 24, @ Niskayuna, 10:30 a.m.
Thu, Aug 25, Troy, 9 a.m.
Mon, Aug 29, @ Shaker, 9 a.m.
Tue, Aug 30, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 9 a.m.
Thu, Sep 01, @ Columbia, 3:30 p.m.
Wed, Sep 07, @ Bethlehem, 4 p.m.
Thu, Sep 08, @ Colonie, 4 p.m.
Thu, Sep 15, Saratoga Springs, 4 p.m.
Fri, Sep 16, Vs. Multiple, 8 a.m.
Mon, Sep 19, @ Ballston Spa, 4 p.m.
Thu, Sep 22, CBA, 4 p.m.

Tue, Sep 27, @ Shenendehowa, 4 p.m.
Mon, Oct 03, Averill Park, 4 p.m.
Thu, Oct 06, Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Tue, Sep 06, @ Bethlehem, 4:15 p.m.
Thu, Sep 08, Colonie, 4:15 p.m.
Tue, Sep 13, @ Schenectady, 6 p.m.
Thu, Sep 15, Saratoga Springs, 4:15 p.m.
Sat, Sep 17, @ Ballston Spa, 11 a.m.
Tue, Sep 20, @ Niskayuna, 4:15 p.m.
Thu, Sep 22, CBA, 4:15 p.m.
Tue, Sep 27, @ Shenendehowa, 7 p.m.
Thu, Sep 29, @ Albany, 7 p.m.
Sat, Oct 01, @ Troy, 3 p.m.
Thu, Oct 06, Averill Park, 4:15 p.m.
Sat, Oct 08, @ Shaker, 11 a.m.
Tue, Oct 11, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 7 p.m.
Thu, Oct 13, Columbia, 4:15 p.m.
Sat, Oct 15, Mohonasen, 1 p.m.

Boys Volleyball

Fri, Sep 02, @ Colonie, 12:30 p.m.
Wed, Sep 07, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 5:45 p.m.
Fri, Sep 09, @ Bethlehem, 5:45 p.m.
Wed, Sep 14, @ Columbia, 5:45 p.m.
Fri, Sep 16, @ Shenendehowa, 5:45 p.m.
Mon, Sep 19, Saratoga Springs, 5:45 p.m.
Wed, Sep 21, @ Shaker, 5:45 p.m.
Fri, Sep 23, CBA, 5:45 p.m.
Wed, Sep 28, Niskayuna, 5:45 p.m.
Fri, Sep 30, Colonie, 4:15 p.m.
Mon, Oct 03, @ Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 5:45 p.m.
Fri, Oct 07, Bethlehem, 5:45 p.m.
Wed, Oct 12, @ Columbia, 5:45 p.m.
Fri, Oct 14, Shenendehowa, 5:45 p.m.

Wed, Oct 19, @ Saratoga Springs, 5:45 p.m.
Fri, Oct 21, Shaker, 5:45 p.m.

Girls Cross Country

Tue, Sep 06, Columbia, Albany @ Schenectady, 4:30 p.m.
Tue, Sep 13, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, Troy @ Colonie, 4:15 p.m.
Tue, Sep 20, Bethlehem @ Niskayuna, 4:15 p.m.
Tue, Sep 27, Shaker, Averill Park, 4:15 p.m.
Tue, Oct 11, Ballston Spa, Shenendehowa, Saratoga Springs, 4:15 p.m.
Sat, Oct 29, Vs. Multiple, 9 a.m.

Girls Field Hockey

Wed, Sep 07, Columbia, 4:15 p.m.
Fri, Sep 09, @ Shaker, 6:15 p.m.
Mon, Sep 12, @ Bethlehem, 4:30 p.m.
Wed, Sep 14, @ Niskayuna, 4 p.m.
Fri, Sep 16, @ Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 6 p.m.
Mon, Sep 19, @ Shenendehowa, 4:15 p.m.
Wed, Sep 21, Saratoga Springs, 4:15 p.m.
Mon, Sep 26, @ Columbia, 6 p.m.
Wed, Sep 28, Shaker, 4:15 p.m.
Fri, Sep 30, Bethlehem, 4:15 p.m.
Mon, Oct 03, Niskayuna, 6:15 p.m.
Fri, Oct 07, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 4:15 p.m.
Wed, Oct 12, Shenendehowa, 4:15 p.m.
Fri, Oct 14, @ Saratoga Springs, 4:15 p.m.

Girls Golf

Wed, Aug 24, @ Niskayuna, 10:30 a.m.
Thu, Aug 25, Troy, 9 a.m.
Mon, Aug 29, @ Shaker, 9 a.m.

Tue, Aug 30, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 9 a.m.

Wed, Sep 07, @ Bethlehem, 4 p.m.
Mon, Sep 12, @ Columbia, 4 p.m.
Wed, Sep 14, Saratoga Springs, 4 p.m.
Fri, Sep 16, Vs. Multiple, 12 p.m.
Mon, Sep 19, @ Colonie, 4 p.m.
Mon, Sep 19, @ Ballston Spa, 4 p.m.
Wed, Sep 21, Bethlehem, 4 p.m.
Tue, Sep 27, @ Shenendehowa, 4 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Tue, Sep 06, Bethlehem, 4:15 p.m.
Thu, Sep 08, @ Colonie, 4:15 p.m.
Sat, Sep 10, Monroe-Woodbury, 10:15 a.m.
Sun, Sep 11, Saugerties, 11:45 a.m.
Tue, Sep 13, Schenectady, 4:15 p.m.
Thu, Sep 15, @ Saratoga Springs, 5:15 p.m.
Sat, Sep 17, Ballston Spa, 11 a.m.
Tue, Sep 20, Niskayuna, 4:15 p.m.
Tue, Sep 27, Shenendehowa, 4:15 p.m.
Thu, Sep 29, Albany, 7 p.m.
Thu, Oct 06, @ Averill Park, 4:15 p.m.
Sat, Oct 08, Shaker, 11 a.m.
Tue, Oct 11, @ Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 7 p.m.
Thu, Oct 13, @ Columbia, 7 p.m.
Sat, Oct 15, Mohonasen, 3 p.m.

Girls Swimming

Wed, Sep 07, @ Schenectady, 4:30 p.m.
Wed, Sep 14, Ballston Spa, 4:30 p.m.
Mon, Sep 19, @ Troy (Troy/Averill Park), 4:30 p.m.
Wed, Sep 28, @ Bethlehem, 4:30 p.m.
Mon, Oct 03, @ Niskayuna, 4:30 p.m.
Wed, Oct 05, Shaker, 4:30 p.m.

Wed, Oct 12, Saratoga Springs, 4:30 p.m.
Wed, Oct 19, Shenendehowa, 4:30 p.m.

Girls Tennis

Wed, Aug 31, Shaker, 4 p.m.
Wed, Sep 07, Bethlehem, 4:15 p.m.
Fri, Sep 09, @ Colonie, 4:15 p.m.
Sat, Sep 10, @ Columbia, 3 p.m.
Mon, Sep 12, Schenectady, 4:15 p.m.
Wed, Sep 14, @ Saratoga Springs, 4:15 p.m.
Thu, Sep 15, @ Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 4 p.m.
Fri, Sep 16, Ballston Spa, 4:15 p.m.
Mon, Sep 19, Niskayuna, 4:15 p.m.
Fri, Sep 23, Shenendehowa, 4:15 p.m.
Wed, Sep 28, Albany, 4:15 p.m.
Fri, Sep 30, @ Troy, 4:15 p.m.
Mon, Oct 03, @ Averill Park, 4:15 p.m.

Girls Volleyball

Thu, Sep 01, Ballston Spa, 5:45 p.m.
Tue, Sep 06, Bethlehem, 5:45 p.m.
Thu, Sep 08, @ Colonie, 5:45 p.m.
Tue, Sep 13, Schenectady, 5:45 p.m.
Thu, Sep 15, @ Saratoga Springs, 5:45 p.m.
Tue, Sep 20, Niskayuna, 5:45 p.m.
Tue, Sep 27, Shenendehowa, 5:45 p.m.
Thu, Sep 29, Albany, 5:45 p.m.
Sat, Oct 01, Vs. Multiple, 8 a.m.
Tue, Oct 04, Columbia, 5:45 p.m.
Thu, Oct 06, @ Averill Park, 5:45 p.m.
Fri, Oct 07, @ Mekeel Christian Academy, 5:45 p.m.
Tue, Oct 11, @ Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 5:45 p.m.
Thu, Oct 13, @ Columbia, 5:45 p.m.
Mon, Oct 17, @ Bethlehem, 5:45 p.m.
Thu, Oct 20, Shaker, 5:45 p.m.

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Pioneer announces new Exec Vice President, CAO

ALBANY – Pioneer recently announced the appointment of Thomas Signor as Executive Vice President and Chief Administration Officer. In that role, he will oversee all bank operations, including deposit and retail loan operations, compliance, risk, information technology, security, and facilities management.

Prior to joining Pioneer, Signor spent 16 years at Kinderhook Bank, rising from Internal Auditor to Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. In that position, he provided oversight and management of the operations, retail loan servicing, IT, compliance, electronic banking, and facilities departments. In addition, he served as Bank Secrecy Officer; oversaw construction and fit-up of 5 new bank branches; researched, recommended and implemented new technology offerings for customers and employees; and developed and led the integration process for the bank's acquisition of Patriot Federal Bank.

"We are delighted to welcome Tom Signor to the outstanding executive team at Pioneer," said Pioneer President and CEO Tom Amell. "With recognized expertise and demonstrated leadership in all facets of community banking, a proven record of integrity and innovation, and a strong commitment to impeccable customer service, he will be a tremendous asset to our organization and our clients."

A licensed CPA, Signor was previously a shareholder at the accounting firm of Pattison, Koskey, Rath & Florio, PC of Valatie, New York, where he managed internal audits for community bank clients. He also served as Chief Compliance Officer for Paradigm Capital Management, and Vice President and Chief Risk Officer for National Bank of Coxsackie.

BUSINESS

Plug, Amazon sign green hydrogen agreement

LATHAM — Plug Power Inc., a leading provider of turnkey hydrogen solutions for the global green hydrogen economy, today signed a hydrogen supply deal with Amazon to provide liquid green hydrogen starting in 2025 to help decarbonize Amazon's operations as part of its commitment to be net-zero carbon by 2040.

This deal with Amazon marks a growth opportunity for Plug and is expected to help the company toward its 2025 \$3 billion revenue goal. This deal attests to Plug's strategy to build an end-to-end green hydrogen ecosystem and provide integrated hydrogen solutions for its global customers.

"By building a complete hydrogen ecosystem from molecule to applications

combined with a resilient network of green hydrogen plants around the world — we have made hydrogen adoption easy," said Andy Marsh, CEO of Plug. "Landing a green hydrogen supply deal with a customer like Amazon validates our multi-year investment and strategic expansion into green hydrogen. We are excited to expand our relationship with Amazon in exploring the use of other hydrogen applications, such as fuel-cell electric trucks, and fuel-cell power generation stations that could provide electricity to Amazon buildings and the deployment of electrolyzers in fulfillment centers."

"Amazon is proud to be an early adopter of green hydrogen given its potential to decarbonize hard-to-abate sectors like long-haul trucking, steel manufacturing, aviation, and ocean shipping," said Kara Hurst, vice president of Worldwide Sustainability at Amazon. "We are relentless in our pursuit to meet our Climate Pledge

commitment to be net-zero carbon across our operations by 2040, and believe that scaling the supply and demand for green hydrogen, such as through this agreement with Plug Power, will play a key role in helping us achieve our goals."

The green hydrogen supply deal is a continuation of joint efforts between Amazon and Plug to expand the applications of green hydrogen beyond material handling. Since 2016, Plug has helped Amazon to deploy more than 15,000 fuel cells to replace batteries in forklifts across 70 distribution centers.

Specifically, Amazon and Plug have signed a deal for Plug to supply 10,950 tons per year of liquid green hydrogen to fuel Amazon operations. Using Plug's electrolyzers, liquefaction capabilities and cryogenic tankers, Plug will deliver hydrogen to Amazon beginning Jan. 1, 2025.

Plug has granted Amazon a warrant to

acquire up to 16,000,000 shares of Plug's common stock (Warrant Shares), of which the exercise price for the first 9,000,000 Warrant Shares is \$22.9841 per share, which is based on the volume weighted average closing price of Plug common stock for the thirty trading days ending August 23, 2022, and the exercise price for the remaining 7,000,000 Warrant Shares will be an amount per share equal to ninety percent (90 percent) of the 30-day volume weighted average share price of Plug common stock as of the final vesting event that results in full vesting of the first 9,000,000 Amazon Warrant Shares

Amazon would vest the warrant in full if it spends \$2.1 billion over the seven-year term of the warrant across Plug products, including, but not limited to, electrolyzers, fuel cell solutions, and green hydrogen. Details on the agreement are filed is available on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

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Boys Cross Country

Tue, Sep 13, Ichabod Crane, La Salle Institute, 5 p.m.
 Tue, Sep 20, @ Lansingburgh, RCS, 5 p.m.
 Tue, Sep 27, @ Cobleskill - Richmondville, Cohoes, Schalmont, 5 p.m.
 Tue, Oct 11, @ Albany Academy for Boys, Catholic Central, 5 p.m.
 Tue, Oct 18, Mohonasen, 5 p.m.
 Sat, Oct 29, @ TBA, Catholic Central, Cobleskill - Richmondville, Cohoes, Ichabod Crane, La Salle Institute, Lansingburgh, Mohonasen, RCS, Schalmont, Albany Academy for Boys, TBD
 Sat, Nov 5, @ TBA, Catholic Central, Cobleskill - Richmondville, Cohoes, Ichabod Crane, La Salle Institute, Lansingburgh, Mohonasen, RCS, Schalmont, Albany Academy for Boys, 11 a.m.

Boys Football

Sat, Sep 3, Watervliet Jr/Sr, 1 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 9, @ Corinth, 7 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 16, @ Greenwich Central, 7 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 23, @ Chatham, 7 p.m.
 Sat, Oct 1, Cairo-Durham, Catskill, 1 p.m.
 Fri, Oct 7, @ Cambridge Central, 1 p.m.
 Fri, Oct 14, @ Canajoharie, 7 p.m.
 Sat, Oct 22, Helderberg Valley, 1 p.m.

Boys Golf

Tue, Aug 30, Mohonasen, 4:15 p.m.
 Wed, Aug 31, @ Schalmont, 4:15 p.m.
 Wed, Sep 7, Albany Academy for Boys, 4:15 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 8, @ La Salle Institute, 4:15 p.m.
 Tue, Sep 13, @ Cobleskill - Richmondville, 4:15 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 15, Ichabod Crane, 4:15 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 16, @ Catholic Central, 4:15 p.m.

Mon, Sep 19, @ Ichabod Crane, 4:15 p.m.
 Tue, Sep 20, Schalmont, 4:15 p.m.
 Wed, Sep 21, RCS, 4:15 p.m.
 Tue, Sep 27, La Salle Institute, 4:15 p.m.
 Wed, Sep 28, @ Albany Academy for Boys, 4:15 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 29, @ RCS, 4:15 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 30, @ RCS, Catholic Central, Cobleskill - Richmondville, Ichabod Crane, La Salle Institute, Mohonasen, Schalmont, Albany Academy for Boys, 9 a.m.
 Mon, Oct 3, Cobleskill - Richmondville, 4:15 p.m.
 Thu, Oct 6, @ Mohonasen, 4:15 p.m.
 Fri, Oct 7, Catholic Central, 4:15 p.m.
 Tue, Oct 11, @ TBA, 9 a.m.
 Sat, Oct 15, @ TBA, Catholic Central, Cobleskill - Richmondville, Ichabod Crane, La Salle Institute, Mohonasen, RCS, Schalmont, Albany Academy for Boys, 9 a.m.
 Sun, Oct 16, @ TBA, Catholic Central, Cobleskill - Richmondville, Ichabod Crane, La Salle Institute, Mohonasen, RCS, Schalmont, Albany Academy for Boys, 9 a.m.

Boys Soccer

Tue, Aug 30, Cobleskill - Richmondville, 4:30 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 2, Schalmont, 4:30 p.m.
 Wed, Sep 7, @ Cohoes, 4:30 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 9, Mohonasen, 4:30 p.m.
 Mon, Sep 12, @ Ichabod Crane, 7 p.m.
 Wed, Sep 14, Lansingburgh, 4:30 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 16, @ Catholic Central, 7 p.m.
 Mon, Sep 19, La Salle Institute, 4:30 p.m.
 Wed, Sep 21, @ Albany Academy for Boys, 4:30 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 30, RCS, 7 p.m.
 Sat, Oct 1, @ Cobleskill - Richmondville, 12:30 p.m.
 Mon, Oct 3, @ Schalmont, 4:30 p.m.

Thu, Oct 6, Cohoes, 4:30 p.m.
 Tue, Oct 11, @ Mohonasen, 7 p.m.

Girls Cross Country

Tue, Sep 13, Academy of the Holy Names, Ichabod Crane, La Salle Institute, 5 p.m.
 Tue, Sep 20, @ Lansingburgh, RCS, 5 p.m.
 Tue, Sep 27, @ Cobleskill - Richmondville, Cohoes, Schalmont, 5 p.m.
 Tue, Oct 11, @ Albany Academy for Girls, Catholic Central, 5 p.m.
 Tue, Oct 18, Mohonasen, 5 p.m.
 Sat, Oct 29, @ TBA, Academy of the Holy Names, Catholic Central, Cobleskill - Richmondville, Cohoes, Ichabod Crane, La Salle Institute, Lansingburgh, Mohonasen, RCS, Schalmont, Albany Academy for Boys, TBD
 Sat, Nov 5, @ TBA, Academy of the Holy Names, Catholic Central, Cobleskill - Richmondville, Cohoes, Ichabod Crane, La Salle Institute, Lansingburgh, Mohonasen, RCS, Schalmont, Albany Academy for Boys, 11 a.m.

Girls Golf

Wed, Aug 31, @ Academy of the Holy Names, 4:15 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 1, La Salle Institute, 4:15 p.m.
 Wed, Sep 7, @ Albany Academy for Girls, 4:15 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 15, Mohonasen, 4:15 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 22, Academy of the Holy Names, 4:15 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 23, Albany Academy for Girls, 4:15 p.m.
 Tue, Sep 27, @ La Salle Institute, 4:15 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 30, @ RCS, Academy of the Holy Names, La Salle Institute, Mohonasen, Albany Academy for Girls, 9 a.m.
 Thu, Oct 6, @ Mohonasen, 4:15 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Wed, Aug 31, Cobleskill - Richmondville, 4:30 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 2, @ Schalmont, 7 p.m.
 Wed, Sep 7, Cohoes, 4:30 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 9, @ Mohonasen, 4:30 p.m.
 Mon, Sep 12, Ichabod Crane, 4:30 p.m.
 Wed, Sep 14, @ Lansingburgh, 4:30 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 16, Catholic Central, 4:30 p.m.
 Mon, Sep 19, @ Academy of the Holy Names, 4:30 p.m.
 Wed, Sep 21, Albany Academy for Girls, 4:30 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 29, @ Cobleskill - Richmondville, 7 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 30, RCS, 5 p.m.
 Mon, Oct 3, Schalmont, 4:30 p.m.
 Thu, Oct 6, @ Cohoes, 4:30 p.m.
 Tue, Oct 11, Mohonasen, 4:30 p.m.
 Mon, Oct 17, @ TBA, Academy of the Holy Names, Catholic Central, Cobleskill - Richmondville, Cohoes, Ichabod Crane, Lansingburgh, Mohonasen, RCS, Schalmont, Albany Academy for Girls, 9 a.m.

Girls Tennis

Wed, Aug 31, @ Academy of the Holy Names, 10 a.m.
 Fri, Sep 2, Albany Academy for Girls, 10 a.m.
 Tue, Sep 6, @ RCS, 4:30 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 8, Schalmont, 4:30 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 9, @ Emma Willard, 4:30 p.m.
 Mon, Sep 12, Ichabod Crane, 4:30 p.m.
 Tue, Sep 13, @ Catholic Central, 4:30 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 15, Schoharie, 4:30 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 16, Academy of the Holy Names, 4:30 p.m.
 Mon, Sep 19, @ Albany Academy for Girls, 4:30 p.m.
 Tue, Sep 20, RCS, 4:30 p.m.

Fri, Sep 23, @ Schalmont, 4:30 p.m.
 Tue, Sep 27, Emma Willard, 4:30 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 29, @ Ichabod Crane, 4:30 p.m.
 Fri, Sep 30, Catholic Central, 4:30 p.m.
 Mon, Oct 3, @ Schoharie, 4:30 p.m.
 Wed, Oct 5, @ TBA, Academy of the Holy Names, Catholic Central, Emma Willard, Ichabod Crane, RCS, Schalmont, Schoharie, Albany Academy for Girls, 9 a.m.

Girls Volleyball

Thu, Sep 1, @ Cohoes, 6 p.m.
 Wed, Sep 7, Mohonasen, 6 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 8, @ Ichabod Crane, 6 p.m.
 Mon, Sep 12, Lansingburgh, 6 p.m.
 Wed, Sep 14, @ Catholic Central, 6 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 15, Academy of the Holy Names, 6 p.m.
 Mon, Sep 19, @ Albany Academy for Girls, 6 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 22, RCS, 6 p.m.
 Thu, Sep 29, @ Cobleskill - Richmondville, 6 p.m.
 Mon, Oct 3, Schalmont, 6 p.m.
 Thu, Oct 6, Cohoes, 6 p.m.
 Wed, Oct 12, @ Mohonasen, 6 p.m.
 Thu, Oct 13, Ichabod Crane, 6 p.m.
 Mon, Oct 17, @ Lansingburgh, 6 p.m.
 Wed, Oct 19, Catholic Central, 6 p.m.
 Thu, Oct 20, @ Academy of the Holy Names, 6 p.m.
 Thu, Oct 27, @ TBA, Academy of the Holy Names, Catholic Central, Cobleskill - Richmondville, Cohoes, Ichabod Crane, Lansingburgh, Mohonasen, RCS, Schalmont, Albany Academy for Girls, 9 a.m.

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NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

1400 INDIAN FIELDS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/11/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 210 Clipp Road, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295218

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

1550 PARKER STREET, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/19/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1550 Parker Street, Bronx, NY 10462. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294695

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

156 WEST 9TH ST. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/22/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 932 Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11238. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294422

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

164 AVENUE REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/25/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 154-15 Roosevelt Avenue, Flushing, NY 11354. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294452

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

168 PROSPECT PLACE REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/04/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 132 Amity Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296550

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

18-07 ASTORIA REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/09/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC

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upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Ioannis Likidis, 126-10 89th Avenue, Richmond Hill, NY 11418. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295352

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

1817 PROSPECT PLACE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/08/22. Office: Albany County. 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, 16th Floor, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295299

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

1934 BATH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/12/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1791 West 6th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11223. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295534

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

196 TINKER ST. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/29/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 6028 Catalpa Avenue, Ridgewood, NY 11385. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294967

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

232 RICHARDSON LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/18/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Robert Young, 301 East 78th Street, New York, NY 10075. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295844

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

325 FIFTH AVE 9C LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/08/22. Office: Albany County. 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 Hui En Deborah Lim, 325 Fifth Avenue, Apartment 9C, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295301

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

32E76PH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/08/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 99 Tulip Av-

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enue, Suite 308, Floral Park, NY 11001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295300

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

339 NOSTRAND REALTY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/18/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 160-30 78th Avenue, Fresh Meadows, NY 11366. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295845

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

341 NOSTRAND REALTY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/18/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 160-30 78th Avenue, Fresh Meadows, NY 11366. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295846

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

36 COLIN PLACE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/23/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 36 Colin Place, Brooklyn, NY 11223. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296331

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

3619 DITMARS BLVD LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/22/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 2028 37th Street, Astoria, NY 11105. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296125

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

4408 AVENUE H LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/02/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1411 A Pacific Street, Brooklyn, NY 11216. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294970

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

464 11 STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/02/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 112 Medford Road, Staten Island, NY 10304. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294971

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

48 HALSEY STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on

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04/11/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 41 Halsey Street, Brooklyn, NY 11216. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295796

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

53 VERBENA AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/03/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Alan Goldman, Attorney at Law, 1225 Franklin Avenue, Suite 515, Garden City, NY 11530. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295049

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

593 OSBORN STREET, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/01/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 36-18 218th Street, Bay-side, NY 11361. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294875

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

69-27 76TH STREET REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/04/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 69-81 75th Street, Middle Village, NY 11379. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295277

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

700 RIVERSIDE, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 07/26/22. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 05/12/22. Office: Albany County. 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 Vcorp Services, LLC, 1013 Centre Road, Suite 403-B, Wilmington, DE 19805. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294466

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

854 BUSHWICK OWNER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/08/22. Office: Albany County. 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 SLK Advisory Group, Inc., 1981 Marcus Avenue, Suite 227, Lake Success, NY 11042. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294400

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

89 DRIGGS OWNER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on

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01/12/22. Office: Albany County. 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 SLK Advisory Group, Inc., 1981 Marcus Avenue, Suite 227, Lake Success, NY 11042. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294401

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

ALPHABET CITY GROUP, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/27/22. Office: Albany County. 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 The Factory 380, 380 3rd Avenue, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294626

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

ANGLIN'S PROPERTIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/19/22. Office: Albany County. 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 Raleigh Place, Brooklyn, NY 11226. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294398

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

ATB LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 08/10/22. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 06/28/2017. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1049 Rutland Road, Brooklyn, NY 11212. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295418

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

AZUREPLUS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/12/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 15 Hudson Yards, Unit 25A, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295531

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

BAN BAN SHOP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/05/22. Office: Albany County. 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 Daniels Norelli Cecere & Tavel, P.C., 272 Duffy Avenue, Hicksville, NY 11801. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295229

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BENSON - BAY DEVELOPMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY

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on 08/08/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 49 Barlow Drive North, Brooklyn, NY 11234. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295283

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

BLACKSTAR TITLE AGENCY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/26/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 140 Mountain Avenue, Suite 101, Springfield, NJ 07081. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296536

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

BLOCK 1478 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/16/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 182A Dixon Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10303. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296632

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

BOOK NOOK PARK SLOPE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/27/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 23 Warren Street, Unit 8, New York, NY 10007. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294627

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

BRITTANY COHEN LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/27/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, ATTN: Brittany Cohen, 31 Homans Avenue, Westhampton Beach, NY 11978. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294399

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

CHAPMAN TAMPA, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/29/22. Office: Albany County. 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 Patrick Milner, c/o Chapman Consulting, LLC 770 Lexington Avenue, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10065. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296576

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

COGNITOR, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/26/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall

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mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Suvro K. Banerjee, 150-38 Union Turnpike, Apartment 6S, Kew Garden Hills, NY 11367. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294595

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CP 1929 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/22/22. Office: Albany County. 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 Philip Russo, 4415 Glenwood Road, Brooklyn, NY 11203. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294368

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

DEETOXING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/04/22. Office: Albany County. 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 Kimerling & Wisdom LLC, 150 Broadway, Suite 1105, New York, NY 10038. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296238

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

DIVA 189 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/27/22. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2121. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 3220 91st Street, Unit 507, East Elmhurst, NY 11369. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294629

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

DYKER DEVELOPMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/29/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 49 Barlow Drive North, Brooklyn, NY 11234. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294835

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

EGJ LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/26/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 5 Palisades Drive, Suite 315, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296514

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

ENOK LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/28/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 14-29 136th Street, College Point, NY 11356. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295173

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EVEN ACROSS THE OCEANS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/15/21. 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, Shimon Leiter, 1481 President Street, Brooklyn, NY 11213. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295609

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

EVENT FLORALS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/16/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 355 8th Avenue, Apartment 15B, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295720

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

FIRST BRIDGE HILL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/23/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1736 86th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11214. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296633

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

FIRST SHADY PATH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/23/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1736 86th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11214. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296635

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

FORT & FAWN INTERIORS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/15/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 8053 Harbor View Terrace, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295836

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

FRAWLEY & ASSOCIATES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/03/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 122 E. 42nd Street, Suite 1518, New York, NY 10168. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295039

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GPTT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/29/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process

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to have their families, and generations to come, get out of that vicious cycle of poverty.”

Bethlehem residents who made it to the midday meeting continued to speak of their concerns with coal ash deposited on Beacon Island over decades and assumed disturbed

by the clear cutting of approximately 80 acres of trees in May. The port contends it had received proper approval before removing the trees from the island, and will contain the ash with a concrete cap. Regardless, neighboring residents believe the project will introduce arsenic and

other chemical elements into the local drinking water.

“So the question I came here to ask rhetorically today is, why are we on opposing sides regarding the danger posed by coal ash island?” asked Silvia Rowlands, adding that her Glenmont home was just down the street from Ezra Prentice Homes. The housing development has long been the center of arguments over pollution

problems, including the rail transport of oil. “We are not opposed to union construction,” she added. “We’re opposed to toxicity.”

Tom McPheeters, Strategic Advisor and Manager of South End Community Collaborative, said he did not find the Glenmont residents’ claims that they were unaware of the looming project as plausible.

The former *Spotlight News* editor recalled how

Bethlehem community fighting for causes that benefited their neighborhoods and schools, doing so with resources the South End residents do not have.

Like Bethlehem, Albany residents have labored against hazardous truck traffic initially thought to originate from the port. Instead, he said, they come from industries south of the port, already existing in Bethlehem.

“Let’s join together to make sure that the port and its tenants do the right thing. Live up to their promises, and the D.E.C. and E.P.A.,” said McPheeters. “Keep the pressure on everybody and to continue to fight to get those trucks electrified.

“By the way, if you haven’t driven through the South End, try to do so on your way,” he said.

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against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 6824 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11220. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296577

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GRETCHEN SOFO-CLEOUS PhD LCSW, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/28/22. 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, 301 East 79th Street, New York, NY 10075. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Licensed Clinical Social Work. D-294884

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

HERALIA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/17/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Schwartz Levine Stark PLLC, 630 Third Avenue, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295784

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

HOPE THIS WORKS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/19/22. Office: Albany County. 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 Hope Creative Realty, LLC, 178 Hope Street, Brooklyn, NY 11211. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295981

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

IBM ESTATES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/20/20. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Ibraheam Masoud, 7128 5th Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11209, which also serves as the registered agent address. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294974

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J&A 64 WINDING WAY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/10/22. Office: Suffolk County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 64 Winding Way, Water Mill, NY 11976. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295419

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

JEMKIT CONSTRUCTION SERVICE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/11/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 383 East 162nd Street, 10A, Bronx, NY 10451. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295486

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

JKNYC HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/31/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 58 Magnolia Avenue, Montvale, NJ 07645. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296714

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JL41 HOLDINGS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/05/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Graubard & Blumenfeld, P.C., 370 Lexington Avenue, 27th Floor, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295232

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

KAFI HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/05/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1274

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49th Street, Suite 433, Brooklyn, NY 11219. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295236

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KM TAXI LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/17/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 34-21 62nd Street, 2nd Floor, Woodside, NY 11377. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295979

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KONFETKA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/18/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 225 Cherry Street, Apartment 34E, New York, NY 10002. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295174

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

KUSTOM KULTURE FEST LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/06/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 8608 3rd Avenue, Apartment #1, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294349

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

LCT 3620 168 ST REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/23/22, with an existence date of 09/01/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 136-61 41st Avenue, #118, Flushing, NY 11355. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296379

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LEGENDS GEAR US LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/01/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process

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NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION

NAOMI MEJIA-MURPHY PSYCHOLOGIST PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/16/22. 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., One Pleasant Avenue, Port Washington, NY 11050. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Psychology. D-295733

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NFM PARK SLOPE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/25/22. Office: Albany County. 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 East 61st Street, Apartment 18BC, New York, NY 10065. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296381

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PARSONS RETAIL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/22/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, PO Box 320195, Brooklyn, NY 11232. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-284371

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POPPY & PLUTO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/27/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 9 E. 8th Street, #122, New York, NY 10003. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294645

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PRISTINE MANAGEMENT SERVICES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/29/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 5014 16th Avenue, Suite 372, Brooklyn, NY 11204. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294836

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SPITIKO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/08/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 21-45 44th Drive, Apartment PH E, Long Island City, NY 11101. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295287

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SULLIVAN 5A LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/11/22. Office: Albany County. 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 Doron Kless, 5 West 37th Street, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10018. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-295473

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SYNERGY IJ LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/30/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1274 49th Street, Suite 433, Brooklyn, NY 11219. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296660

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process to the LLC, 69 New Street, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296316

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TN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/16/22. 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, 4018 12th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11218. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Marriage and Family Therapy. D-295816

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UNIQUE BY THE YARD, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/28/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 226 West 37th Street, New York, NY 10018. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294697

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WeAre Group, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/26/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1077 Northern Boulevard, Suite 1, West, Roslyn, NY 11576. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-294594

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Seeking Trunk or Treat Participants

Thursday Afternoon Movies

Now that the Summer Reading Program has concluded, the Thursday Afternoon Movies are back on the schedule, as of Sept. 8.

Join us for a classic movie and some classic movie trivia, starting at 1pm, every Thursday. Come a few minutes early to save a seat, grab some snacks and a drink, and chat with your fellow movie lovers. The library now has assistive listening devices available, which work in conjunction with our audio equipment, to make hearing dialogue easier. Check our online

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calendar, or call 518-765-2791, to see what is playing this week.

Bead Creative

No experience needed! You don't need to own any supplies or tools. Just register online, and then join us at 6pm, Wednesday, Sept. 14 at the library. You choose what you want to make, and we'll help you to make it. This program is open to students in grades 9 and up, and adults.

Live concert

Join us 6:30 pm, Thur., Sept. 15 for "The Evidence", a duo of musicians with an eclectic mix of jazz, blues, pop, and rock tunes. Rob Aronstein and Mike Derrico have been working together since the mid 1980's, and cover tunes from James Taylor, The Grateful Dead, British Invasion groups, as well as many others. Co-Sponsored by the Music Performance Trust Fund and Voorheesville Public Library, arranged by the Albany Musicians Association.

— Lynn Kohler

Lunchtime Books

Join us at noon on Thursday, Sept. 15, as we explore "The Splendid and the Vile," by Erik Larson for Lunchtime Books.

On Winston Churchill's first day as prime minister, Adolf Hitler invaded Holland and Belgium. Poland and Czechoslovakia had already fallen, and the Dunkirk evacuation was just two weeks away. For the next twelve months, Hitler would wage a relentless bombing campaign, killing 45,000 Britons. It was up to Churchill to hold his country together and persuade President Franklin Roosevelt that

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Fiber Arts Meetup

Unwind at an informal gathering with fellow yarn crafters to work on your projects, ask questions, get inspired, and just enjoy crafting in a group. Join us on Sept. 17, at 11 am and bring your own supplies. All skill levels are welcome! Sign up to reserve your spot.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Join the RCS Community Library's 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program and give your child a head start to reading success! Each time you read 100 books, bring your reading record to the library to receive a special reward. One thousand books may seem like a lot, but if you read just one book a night, you'll meet your goal in less than three years.

— Carol Melewski

Join the spook-tacular fun! We're looking for volunteers (groups or individuals) to sign up now for our Halloween Trunk or Treat on Monday, Oct. 31, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. This is a great way to promote your local business or organization while enjoying a fun night out. Get creative – decorate your vehicle and hand out candy or allergy-free treats (provided) to trick-or-treaters, who will vote for their favorite trunk. The top vote-getter will receive a prize. Please email Natalie Hurteau with interest: hurteaun@guilderlandlibrary.org.

The Power of Plus

Journalist Gianluca Russo, author of the critically-acclaimed book *The Power of Plus: Inside Fashion's Size-Inclusivity Revolution* (and also a Guilderland High School alum), will be here Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 6:30 p.m. to talk about his book with moderator and Times Union journalist Steve Barnes. Over the past three decades, plus-size fashionistas have created a market worth more than 21 billion dollars. *The Power of Plus* follows the evolution of the plus-size fashion boom, examining how female body image has shifted, and how plus-size fashion is integral to the future success of the industry. No registration is required – all are welcome!

Night Owls Book Club

Our September meeting on Monday, Sept. 12, at 7:30 p.m. will be a hybrid



format: in-person, with option to join via Zoom. This month, we're reading *The Vanishing Half*, by Brit Bennett. Copies are available at the library's Information Desk. Please register on the Events tab of guilderlandlibrary.org.

Blood Drive 9/13

The next American Red Cross Blood Drive at GPL is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 13, from 1 to 6 p.m. Appointments may be reserved at redcrossblood.org – type in "guilderlandlibrary" and click "make your appointment." Walk-ins are always welcome.

Genealogy Help

Would you like some expert assistance exploring your family tree? Professional Genealogist Lisa Dougherty offers 1:1 family history consultations on Wednesday, Sept. 14, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the library. Please contact Lisa to schedule your appointment slot: lisagene@nycap.rr.com. For more information: <http://www.upstatenygenealogy.com>.

Plant Exchange

Thinning out your perennials and house plants? Trade them for something new! Bring potted plants to our end-of-summer Plant Exchange Thursday, Sept. 15, from 6 to 7 p.m. Please register online; we're capping this event at 30 participants.

Author Talk: Slavery in Dutch America

On Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 7 p.m., The Guilderland Public Library Local History Program presents *Spaces of Enslavement: A History of Slavery and Resistance in Dutch New York*, with author Andrea C. Mosterman. This publication won the 2020 Hendricks Award for best book-length manuscript. *Spaces of Enslavement* challenges the long-standing myth that the colonial Dutch system of slavery was more humane, demonstrating that practices in New Netherland and then in New York mirrored much of the methodology of southern plantations. Please register online for this enlightening Zoom presentation.

Celebrate Hispanic Arts!

We're offering this special program to commemorate National Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15-October 15). On Tuesday, Sept. 20, at 4 p.m. via Zoom. We'll discover how Hispanic artists inspired Jackson Pollock, then we'll enjoy a virtual tour of the barn studio where Pollock made his famous drip paintings, and Lee Krasner created her abstract art.

— Luanne Nicholson

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Gain a deeper appreciation for the poetry of Emily Dickinson, considered by many to be America's preeminent lyric poet, at a four-part workshop series facilitated by Delmar resident and retired attorney Jeff Cohen. Workshop participants will read and explore Dickinson's work through informed discussion.

The series takes place Tuesdays, Sept. 13, 20 and 27, and Oct. 11 at 7 p.m. Registration is required and will include all four sessions. Visit our online calendar at bethlehem.librarycalendar.com and select the first date in the series to sign up.

Your bike friendly library

Bethlehem Public Library recently received Bike Friendly New York



certification. We're located just blocks away from the Helderberg-Hudson Rail Trail, which makes us the perfect pit stop for weary cyclists looking for clean restrooms, cool water, and great place to chill out in the middle of a ride. We've also got a Dero Fix-it bicycle repair station available 24/7.

Want to make an impromptu stop but forgot your bike lock? Borrow one from our Circulation Desk so you can enjoy a worry free time inside the library.

The Friends NYC bus trip is back

The Friends of Bethlehem Public Library are once again sponsoring a trip to New York City



on Saturday, Dec. 3. Shop, catch a Broadway show or just soak in that Big Apple ambiance.

The bus will leave CDTA's Delaware Avenue park-and-ride lot in Elsmere next to The Warbler Brewery at 7:30 a.m. It will depart New York City promptly at 6

p.m. Bryant Park is the arrival and departure point in New York. If you are ordering matinee theater tickets, be sure to ask the time the performance ends so that you will be on time to depart.

The cost is \$45 for members and \$50 for nonmembers. For more information, call (no texts) Patty Caporta at (518) 439-1328 or visit www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org/about-us/friends-of-bethlehem-public-library/friends-bus-trip-to-nyc.

Buy books; support Friends

It's almost time again for the Friends' fall fundraiser book sale at the library! Stock up on some new-to-you books and DVDs at the Friends of Bethlehem Public Library's Pop-Up Book Sale on the library plaza Saturday, Sept. 17,

from 10-4:30 p.m. For sale will be books and other materials that have been removed from the library collection and are in excellent condition. Many are duplicate copies of popular titles. Pricing will be cash-only by suggested donation.

Donate books; help Grassroot Givers

Looking for an opportunity to donate books? Bethlehem Public Library is partnering with Grassroot Givers, a local nonprofit, to collect like-new books for donation to local organizations and individuals in need. Collection day is Saturday, Sept. 24, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the library garage.

Donations to the Book Project must fit the following criteria: current adult paperback fiction

and nonfiction; current adult hardcover fiction and nonfiction; current children's board books; current children's hardcover and softcover picture books; current elementary and middle school chapter books; current adult biography, self-help, cookbooks, history books.

Grassroot Givers can not accept books older than 10 years; torn or moldy books; encyclopedias; videos, tapes or CDs; magazines; computer books older than three years; test prep books older than the current year; textbooks of any kind, including law and medical books.

Collection will take place in front of the library's garage. Donations that do not meet these criteria, and donations brought before 10 a.m. or after 1 p.m., will not be accepted.

— Kristen Roberts

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■ POLICE, FIRE and EMERGENCY CALLS

Man arrested for cashing fire department check

GLENMONT — A 50-year-old Schenectady man presented and cashed a fraudulent check at the Pioneer Bank Glenmont Branch on Thursday, Aug. 11. According to reports, the check was made out to the man and he provided his identification to the teller matching the check. The \$2,877.11 check was drawn against the account of the Shaker Road Loudonville Fire Department, Inc and because the man was not a Pioneer customer, the teller called the fire department's authorized signers to confirm the check was valid. The teller also made a copy of the check and ID.

One signer from the fire department had the teller call another signer to verify, which she did and said the check was valid.

The bank cashed the check and the man left the branch. A short time later, both authorized signers of the fire department account called the branch confirming the check was fraudulent.

On Monday, Aug 29, Bethlehem police detectives interviewed the man at the police station and subsequently charged him with grand larceny and possession of a forged instrument, both felonies. He was arraigned at Bethlehem Town Court by Judge Andrew Kirby and turned over to a detective from the North Greenbush Police Department. He is scheduled to return to court on Wednesday, Sept. 20.

Two arrested after Glenmont Price Chopper theft, crash and pursuit

GLENMONT — On Wednesday, Aug 24 at approximately 2:18 p.m., the Bethlehem police responded to a larceny in progress at the Price Chopper supermarket on 329 Glenmont Road.

Upon arrival, officers observed two suspects fleeing the store on foot and entering a Toyota Camry. As the officers approached the vehicle, the driver of the vehicle accelerated toward the officers, almost hitting one, then crashed into a marked Bethlehem police car.

According to reports, the officers attempted to stop the vehicle, but it fled the scene in a reckless manner at a high rate of speed. The vehicle was found abandoned a short time later in

the City of Albany.

After an investigation, police determined that Bishop A. Fraser, 19, and Jaquan D. Johnson, 19, both of Albany entered the store and stole \$1,562.89 worth of merchandise, then fled the scene.

Fraser, the operator of the vehicle, was charged with reckless endangerment, criminal mischief and grand larceny, all felonies and unlawful fleeing a police officer in a motor vehicle, reckless endangerment, and conspiracy, all misdemeanors. He also was ticketed with numerous vehicle and traffic law violations. He is being held at the Albany County Jail after a preliminary hearing tonight at Bethlehem Town Court.

Johnson, the passenger of the vehicle, was charged with grand larceny a felony and conspiracy a misdemeanor. He was processed and released under the supervision of Albany County Probation.

Aggravated DWI on Thruway

GLENMONT — On Sunday, Aug. 28, at approximately 6:20 a.m., State Police located a disabled vehicle with a flat tire on the shoulder of the Thruway in the town of Bethlehem. During the course of the investigation, the driver of the vehicle, a 39-year-old Albany woman, was found to be intoxicated. She was taken into custody, transported and processed at SP Albany where she provided a breath sample that returned a 0.18 percent BAC. She was charged with DWI and aggravated DWI, both misdemeanors.

She was turned over to a sober third party and released on appearance tickets returnable to the Town of Bethlehem Court on Tuesday, Sept 20 at 4 p.m.

No lights, DWI on Route 9W

GLENMONT — Bethlehem police observed a black Chrysler Pacifica driving south on Route 9w on Saturday, Aug. 27 at 9:51 p.m. with no headlights on.

The officer attempted a traffic stop in the area of the intersection of Route 9W and Frontage Road. The vehicle failed to keep right of a solid yellow line, almost drove off the roadway into the median and then slowly crossed two lanes of traffic before stopping.

When interviewing the driver, a 54-year-old man from Albany, he said he was going to work at Walmart and had his daughter in the passenger seat. His driver's license was not valid with three suspensions on it.

Smoke shop shuttered for untaxed tobacco, cannabis

GLENMONT — State Police and Tax Department investigators searched four local smoke shops on Wednesday, Aug 17 that led to the arrest of the owners for untaxed tobacco and cannabis.

The search warrants were executed at Smoke Shop Huang Inc. on 1554 Central Avenue, Smoke Shop of Mei Inc, on 365 Feura Bush Road, Glenmont, Smoke Shop of Jing Inc, 214 Kingston Plaza Road, Kingston, and Rolling R Inc, 564 Hoosick Street, Troy.

Investigators seized 74 cartons of pre-rolled untaxed cigarettes, more than 14 cartons of out-of-state untaxed cigarettes, 10,675 untaxed cigars, nearly 565 pounds of untaxed loose tobacco, 13 roll-your-own machines, and 57 pounds of illegal cannabis.

Each of the four locations also lost its license to sell cigarette and tobacco products.

Yuqing Huang, 44, of Albany, was arrested and charged with criminal possession of cannabis and criminal sale of cannabis, both felonies. Huang was also charged with misdemeanor possession of untaxed cigarettes and untaxed cigars. He's expected to appear in Colonie Town Court on Wednesday, Sept 14.

Jing Yang, 33, was arrested and charged with possession of untaxed cigarettes. He's expected to appear in City of Kingston Court on Wednesday, Sept 21.

"Those who evade our cigarette and tobacco tax laws deprive communities and the state of revenue needed for vital services and put honest businesses at a competitive disadvantage," Acting Commissioner of Taxation and Finance Amanda Hiller said in a release. "We'll continue to work with all our law enforcement partners, including the New York State Police, to bring tax criminals to justice."

— John McIntyre

The officer observed an odor of an alcoholic beverage emanating from his breath and the man said he had one beer. He was given and failed field sobriety tests, tested positive for breath alcohol on a pre-screening device and was taken into custody.

At the police station he provided a breath sample that returned a 0.10 percent BAC. He was charged with DWI, aggravated unlicensed operation, both misdemeanors, and driving without headlights.

The man was given a bill of particulars, issued tickets and given a ride to work. He is scheduled in Bethlehem Town Court on Tuesday, Sept. 6.

BAC twice legal limit

SELKIRK — On Sunday, Aug 29, at approximately 1:25 a.m., State Police stopped a vehicle on the Thruway in the town of Bethlehem for several vehicle and traffic violations. The driver of the vehicle, a 22-year-old man from New City, was found to be intoxicated. He was taken into custody, transported and processed at SP Albany where he provided a breath sample that returned a 0.19 percent BAC.

He was charged with Aggravated DWI, a misdemeanor. He was turned over to a sober third party and released on appearance tickets returnable to the Bethlehem Town Court on Tuesday, Sept 20.

Second car chase

DELMAR — On Saturday,

Aug 20 at approximately 2:24 a.m., Bethlehem Police observed a Mazda Miata traveling east on Delaware Ave with an inadequate headlamp in violation of the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law. The officer attempted to stop the vehicle but the operator of the vehicle fled in a reckless manner at a high rate of speed into the City of Albany.

The officer continued to follow the vehicle with emergency lights and siren activated through several side streets and parking lots within the City of Albany. The operator of the Mazda continued to flee and at one point did recklessly spin his vehicle around almost striking the front end of the Bethlehem Police car. The suspect continued to flee and the suspect was not apprehended that morning.

On Wednesday, Aug 31, Bethlehem Police, assisted by the Albany County Sheriff's

Department, arrested Gino L. Cubello, 20 of New Scotland, in connection with the case after an investigation. It also showed the Mazda Cubello was driving during the incident had license plates that were stolen from a Delmar residence.

He was charged with reckless endangerment, unlawful fleeing a police officer in a motor vehicle and criminal possession of stolen property, all misdemeanors, as well as numerous vehicle and traffic law violations.

Cubello was released on an appearance ticket to return to Bethlehem Town Court on Wednesday, Sept. 20 to answer

the charges.

Felony DWI on Route 443

NEW SCOTLAND — Albany County Sheriff's Deputies arrested a Watervliet woman on Sunday, Aug 21 on Route 443 for felony DWI.

According to reports, a road patrol deputy observed a vehicle parked along the shoulder of the road with no flashers activated. When talking with the 60-year-old woman, the deputy observed a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage emanating from her breath and she was very sweaty with glassy eyes and had slurred speech. When asked if she had consumed any alcoholic beverages, she denied having any.

The woman was given and failed field sobriety tests and provided a roadside breath sample that returned a 0.261 percent BAC. She was taken to custody for DWI.

At the police station, an investigation revealed that she had a previous DWI conviction in the Town of Colonie in 2021. She did have an interim license, but her vehicle was unregistered.

The woman was charged with felony aggravated DWI, operating an unregistered motor vehicle, consuming alcohol-cannabis in a motor vehicle, parking on highway and improper use of flashers, all violations. She was given a bill of particulars, issued tickets and given a ride to her residence. She was scheduled to appear in Town of New Scotland Court on



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Finding Rammur

From Conan to Rammur, local author creates a new comic book anti-hero

By **AMARIS FORD**
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ALBANY — “By the time I was thirteen I figured out that I was never going to pitch for the Yankees!” quipped local comic book writer, editor and art director, Charles Santino, “but maybe I could write comic books.”

Over the past 35 years, Santino has succeeded in doing that. He started his career with Marvel and “Conan the Barbarian.” Now, for Markosia, the largest independent publisher in the UK, he is currently writing and creating a series based on the character of Rammur.

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Charles Santino's Rammur is a thief in a future police state. He is an anti-hero fueled by green energy. And it's a world Santino creates with his words and the help of artists.

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■ WHAT'S HAPPENING

Cap City to bring the jazz Saturday

The Soul Rebels to help usher in Albany's 20th annual Jazz Fest September 10

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**
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ALBANY — Five incredible acts and a dazzling fireworks display will highlight the 20th Annual Albany Riverfront Jazz Festival as it kicks off on Saturday, Sept. 10.

The all-day free concert starts at noon with the presentation of the Henry Johnson Award at Jennings Landing, followed by music from The Teresa Broadwell Quintet, Charged Particles, Black Tie Brass, Samara Joy and headlining act, The Soul Rebels.

The Teresa Broadwell Quintet is to take the stage at 12:30, performing energetic small-combo

■ IF YOU GO

- **What:** 20th Annual Albany Riverfront Jazz Festival
- **When:** 12 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 10.
- **Where:** Jennings Landing, Albany
- **How much:** Free
- **Info:** 518-434-2032 or visit www.albanyevents.org.

Musical acts include;

The Teresa Broadwell Quintet, Charged Particles, Black Tie Brass, Samara Joy, and The Soul Rebels

swing and jazz. Broadwell plays jazz fiddle in a style influenced by the great Stuff Smith and sings lively bop, swing, and jump drawn from a wide range

of straight-ahead jazz artists. The group features the great Leo Russo on sax, dean of the Albany jazz community, whose resume includes tenures with Woody Herman, Bobby Sherwood and many other mainstays of the jazz world.

Capital District jazz veterans Mike Novakowski on guitar, Pete Toigo on bass and Cliff Brucker on drums provide a powerful and compelling rhythm section that keeps the music moving forward.

At 2 p.m., Charged Particles will feature a stylistic blends of traditions. The group showcases three of the country's virtuosos in the acoustic and electric jazz arena. Murray Low is a keyboard wizard with dazzling Latin-jazz technique and imaginative improvisational skills. Aaron Germain is an inventive and sophisticated

acoustic and electric bassist. Along with fiery drummer Jon Krosnick, these players are making some of the most electrifying jazz in the country today.

The trio's funky Latin jazz repertoire, blending in elements of classical music, mixes complex orchestration with freewheeling improvisation. The band brings a similar approach to playing their own arrangements of jazz standards, each played with a new twist.

Black Tie Brass is a horn-driven jazz/funk band from New York City, and is scheduled to perform at 3:30 p.m.. The group combines the presence of a New Orleans brass band with the sound of a funk band to create a musically invigorating experience.

Samara Joy makes her case to join the likes of

Sarah, Ella, and Billie as the next mononymous jazz singing sensation recorded by Verve Records. Her voice, rich and velvety yet precociously refined, has already earned her fans like Anita Baker and Regina King, appearances on the TODAY Show and millions of likes on TikTok — cementing her status as perhaps the first Gen Z jazz singing star. She's to hit the stage at 5 p.m.

The Soul Rebels, an eight-man troupe that locks into an unspoken groove, will take the stage at 6:30 p.m. They rotate genres like your favorite playlist shifting from funk, jazz and R&B to hip-hop, pop and beyond with fire, focus and fluidity.

Since its debut in 2002, the City of Albany Jazz Festival has featured an eclectic array of all-time musical greats, critically acclaimed up-and-coming artists and local favorites.

Great food, beverages and vendors make the Jazz Festival an event for all ages and admission is free.

The City of Albany's Riverfront Jazz Festival will celebrate its 20th year by continuing its partnership with Zero Waste Capital District, a volunteer coalition. With the combined efforts of the City of Albany Sustainability Department, Zero Waste Capital District and City of Albany Department of General Services teams we hope to make this the most environmentally friendly festival in the area! Representatives will also be on-site to give helpful tips to festival attendees on how to compost and recycle at home.

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SCIENCE

RPI researcher to search deep sea

Team to investigate origin of ancient carbon pool

TROY — A few years ago, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute's Sasha Wagner, assistant professor of earth and environmental sciences, proved false what scientists had thought for years. Soot-like molecules that formed an ancient carbon pool deep in the Pacific Ocean did not, in fact, originate from wildfires on land.

"We discovered that there was an isotopic mismatch," Wagner said. "The isotopic composition of this refractory aromatic carbon is different on land versus what we see in the ocean."

Around the same time, researchers from the University of Delaware discovered bits of graphite

at hydrothermal vents in the Pacific called the East Pacific Rise 9°N vent field. Graphite is a type of organic carbon and comprises part of the carbon pool Wagner analyzed.

Radiocarbon dating of the deep ocean carbon pool largely put it at 5,000 to 6,000 years old, with a fraction of this carbon pool at 23,000 years old. This also pointed to the carbon having a deep sea rather than a terrestrial source.

It led them all to wonder, are hydrothermal vents the source of ancient aromatic dissolved organic carbon? They decided to join forces to find out.

Wagner will use a \$467,853 grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to analyze samples from the East Pacific Rise 9°N vent field near the western coast of Central America.

Her research is part of a collaborative project led by the University of Delaware's Andrew Wozniak, George Luther, and Sunita Shah Walter (the total NSF award for the project is \$1,503,114).

Wagner will travel in the human-occupied vehicle Alvin submersible, best known for its use exploring the Titanic, to depths of about 3,000 meters to directly sample vent fluids, ocean water, and marine sediments.

She and her team will use a suite of geochemical techniques to determine if their hypothesis is correct.

"The HOV Alvin was recently rebuilt and can now submerge to 9,000 meters and access 99 percent of the ocean floor," Wagner said. "We will not use its full capability for this project, but it will be an amazing experience!"

Wagner will bring

at least one Rensselaer graduate student with her on the excursion and, perhaps, an undergraduate, as well. As she makes plans, Wagner can't help but recall her own undergraduate experience.

"I graduated from the University of Delaware and took Luther's environmental chemistry class as an undergraduate student," Wagner said. "This is the ultimate full-circle experience. I remember Luther talking about going down in the Alvin submersible, and here I am, collaborating with him to learn new things about hydrothermal vents years later!"

The ocean's dissolved organic carbon pool matches the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere and is critical in maintaining the Earth's carbon balance.

"By recognizing

the subtle clue that isotope ratios of deep-ocean aromatic carbon compounds differ significantly from those on the surface, Professor Wagner and her team are on the verge of a major discovery in understanding the evolution of pre-historic Earth," said Dr. Curt Breneman, Dean of the Rensselaer School of Science. "This high level of innovative thinking and thirst for experimental discovery is representative of Rensselaer faculty and students."

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From page B1 ... Charles Santino

His upcoming book, "Rammur: The Corvus Trilogy, Part II" is nearly finished. "I hope to get that out by the end of this year."

"With 'Rammur', I started from the notion of developing a character who is a master thief in a future police state. I had to create the character and his world from the ground up," he said.

"One way that I thought to make Rammur and his future world distinctive is with technology. Rammur is the first anti-hero powered by clean energy-hydrogen," he added. "In the future depicted in 'Rammur', hydrogen and fusion energy power everything, cleanly, efficiently and cheaply. But the world is still a police state."

The lead Rammur story, which can be anywhere between 24 and 34 pages long, is followed by a shorter Rammur story and a 'Tales of the Police State' (TOPS) vignette in each issue. TOPS is a distinct

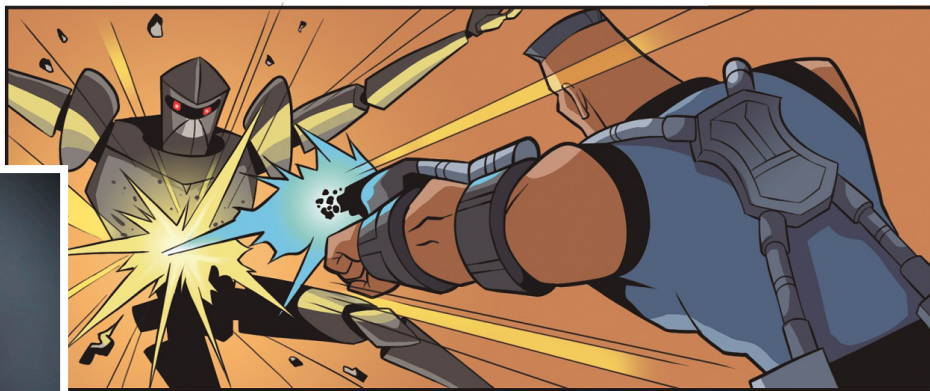


comic taking place within the Rammur comics. These short stories depict the gritty reality of life in the comic book universe.

This layered worldbuilding is part of Santino's process. Character development and careful planning are the driving forces of his upcoming additions to the Rammur universe.

"For Rammur, I do everything except draw, color, and letter the stories. I'm the writer, editor, and art director," he continued. The main artist is Paul Peres.

"I use the so-called



Photos and art provided by Charles Santino

"I had someone tell me that a story I wrote got them hooked on comics. It doesn't get much better than that." — Charles Santino, comic book writer

"storyboard script" method to write the stories. I 'draw' the story in very simple, stick-figure layouts," he explained. "This way I can tell if the story is going to work visually. Very few writers who are not also artists do this."

This interest was born early on. Santino's father gave him a copy of the DC Comic 'Mystery in Space' when he was nine years old. He ended up being interested in DC characters, with Batman quickly emerging as a favorite.

"The real turning point came the year when I bought a Marvel comic that reprinted early Fantastic

Four and Spider-Man stories," he said. Within a couple of years, he was buying out almost everything in Marvel's line. His interest only grew when he dug deeper into historical comics.

"I was reading Warren's black-and-white horror magazines, underground comics, and back to DC for Deadman, Batman, Swamp Thing," he added. "Eventually, I discovered the comics of the so-called Golden Age, published in the late 1930s to the mid-1950s."

One comic book made a particular impression on him. "The comic book that

impressed me so much that I knew I had to pursue writing comic books was the last issue of Marvel's 'Conan the Barbarian' that Barry Smith drew, 'The Song of Red Sonja,' he reflected.

If someone had told him when he was younger that he would eventually work for Marvel himself, he would have "dismissed" the idea as an impossibility. However, by the 1980s, things changed for Santino.

"In the mid-1980s, Marvel editor Larry Hama bought an adventure story I wrote and published in 'Savage Tales'. I went on to write seven issues of 'Conan

the Barbarian' for Marvel, and a parody of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles for their humor comic, 'What The-?!'"

Today, he has multiple projects in progress, with some on the horizon that are still "too early to talk about." But Santino is excited for his next project, 'Rammur: The Corvus Trilogy, Part II', to be finished and available for reading and purchase.

When he thinks back on his career and what's to come, what Santino enjoys most about his job is the combination of hard work and seeing the finished product.

He described some of the joys as "thinking up a story and getting it fleshed out, and staying excited by the story no matter how many times I read it. Being satisfied with the final product—the artwork, the coloring, the lettering, and the printed comic itself. Having people say they enjoyed something that I wrote."

"I had someone tell me that a story I wrote got them hooked on comics," he added. "It doesn't get much better than that."

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EXHIBITS

Albany Institute of History and Art

The Four Elements of Leigh Li-Yun Wen-

The four elements of western cosmology, earth, air, fire, water—are the subjects of artist Leigh Li-Yun Wen's work. Whether paintings, prints, or ceramics, Wen's art expresses her personal and cultural histories. Having grown up on the island of Taiwan, she possesses a deep affinity for the elemental power of water and the forces of nature. Exhibit is going until June 29th.

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 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

ECHO- Ginne Gardiner & Amy Talluto Recent Painting and Collage A pattern of reflections distinguishes the work of these two artists, who make paintings that are cycled into collages, which are then reinterpreted as new paintings. Amy Talluto and Ginne Gardiner both describe the earliest phases of their creative process as cloaked in associations with landscape, weather and seasons. Beginning November 20th 2021 to April 25th, 2022 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

The 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. 265 River St., Troy. Free admission. 518-273-0552 or artscenteronline.org

The Clark Art Institute

Imaginary City- The large-format, abstract paintings of Tomm El-Saieh (b. 1984, Port-au-Prince; lives and works in Miami) teem with dense and dynamic marks that evoke ornament, language, and architecture. By variously layering and erasing his linework, and using vibrant color to optically push or pull his pictures, El-Saieh creates rhythmic, all-over compositions from which larger forms appear to emerge—testing both the limits of our perception and our expectations about abstraction. The exhibition title, which comes from one of the works in the show, refers to a cityscape theme common in Haitian art (Vilaj Imaginé). El-Saieh's paintings, which resemble informal urban plans, likewise develop intuitively, without the use of preparatory studies or outlines. For the artist, who has been unable to return to his birthplace in recent years as a result of the instability there, Port-au-



HOT DATE

OPEN Mic

Hop in the car and head to Rustic Barn Pub for its weekly open mic night on Thursday, Sept. 8, at 6 p.m. It's something worth talking about when you roll back into work the following morning.

Prince now also exists mainly as a figure in his memory and imagination—a site of joy and trauma, potential and uncertainty. Tomm El-Saieh was born in Haiti and grew up in Miami; he is of Haitian, Palestinian, and Israeli descent. He was the subject of a solo show at the Institute of Contemporary Art (ICA) Miami in 2018 and was included in the New Museum triennial in New York that year. He is partner at the artist-run gallery CENTRAL FINE in Miami and long directed the El-Saieh Gallery in Port-au-Prince, a venue for contemporary Haitian artists that his grandfather established in the 1950s. This yearlong exhibition

appears in public spaces around the Clark and is free and open to the public. It is organized by the Clark Art Institute and curated by Robert Wiesenberger, associate curator of contemporary projects. This exhibit goes from January 29th through December 31st. 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

Exhibit hours: Tue. thru Sat, 12noon - 5 PM. 201 Broadway Troy, NY clementart.com 518 272 6811

The Jan Rutland Memorial Artists' Space

Gallery hours 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

miSci

Be the Astronaut - Be the Astronaut is a fun, interactive adventure where you are in control as you launch a rocket, pilot a spaceship, and drive a rover in space! The exhibit guides you as you discover the solar system first hand with the help of virtual astronauts as you land on multiple worlds, including the Moon, Mars, and Jupiter. Designed with the help of NASA experts, the exhibition is fun for the whole family and takes STEM learning into outer space.

Throughout each stage of the exhibit, you have your own crew of virtual content experts. These digital characters help you learn what's needed to fly a spaceship, pilot a lander, and drive a surface rover. Then they are with you as you climb into the simulators to actually perform these feats, in a thrilling narrative adventure spanning the solar system.

In each space capsule, a massive 70" monitor serves as the 'windshield,' giving you a first-person view of your adventures. Touch-screens and an industrial-quality

joystick put you in command. During missions, the entire cockpit comes alive with animated lighting effects, game visuals, and sounds that make you believe you ARE an astronaut. 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

New York State Museum Unveiled: Wedding Wear in 19th-century New York

In choosing their wedding clothes, brides and grooms are influenced by fashion, economics, technology, religion, geography, celebrity, personal taste, and their role in society. This was as much the case in 19th-century New York as it is today. Wedding clothing holds memories, and pieces—dresses, shoes, suits, and head wear—are often preserved and passed to subsequent generations. A couple's choices reveal historical information about both the individuals who wore them and those who made them. Some garments find their way to museum collections. This exhibition will unveil stories of select New Yorkers. Exhibit is on going until October 2nd 2022. 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

Gallery Hours Tuesday through Saturday 12pm to 5pm open late Thursday 12pm to 8pm. Monday by appointment. Gallery is located at Russell Sage College 140 New Scotland Ave. Albany, NY 12208.

Saratoga Arts

320 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Free admission. Gallery hours: weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. 518-584-4132 or saratoga-arts.org

Schenectady County Historical Society

Ongoing: "Mapping Schenectady." Some of SCHS' most prominent and interesting maps are now on permanent display in the Map Gallery. Also, **"Beyond the Pines: Early Schenectady,"** an exhibit focused entirely on early Schenectady: its founding, its people, and what life was like for the city's earliest residents. Plus permanent exhibits. Museum hours: weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Library and Museum, 32 Washington Ave., Schenectady. Admission: \$5. 518-374-0263 or schenectadyhistorical.org

Dan Sekellic Visual Arts Gallery

Gallery hours: Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sand Lake Center for the Arts, 2880 NY Rte. 43, Averill Park. Free admission. 518-674-2007 or slca-ctp.org

Tang Teaching Museum

Elevator Music 43: Yvette Janine Jackson- Yvette Janine Jackson is a composer and installation artist who brings attention to historical events and social issues through her radio operas. Her work has been presented at Auditorium, Fylkingen, Sweden; Borealis Festival, Norway; Banff Centre, Alberta, Canada; and in residence at Stockholm EMS. Her album Freedom, produced by the Fridman Gallery, debuted as Contemporary Album of the Month in the January 2021 issue of The Guardian and Destination Freedom won the Giga-Hertz Production Award 2021. She presents the world premiere of Left Behind for her Radio Opera Workshop ensemble at the Venice Music Biennale in fall 2022, and a new work, Underground (Codes), which serves as a companion piece to Destination Freedom, opens May 26, 2022 at Wave Farm in Acra, New York. Jackson is an assistant professor in Creative Practice and Critical Inquiry in the Department of Music at Harvard University and also teaches for Harvard's

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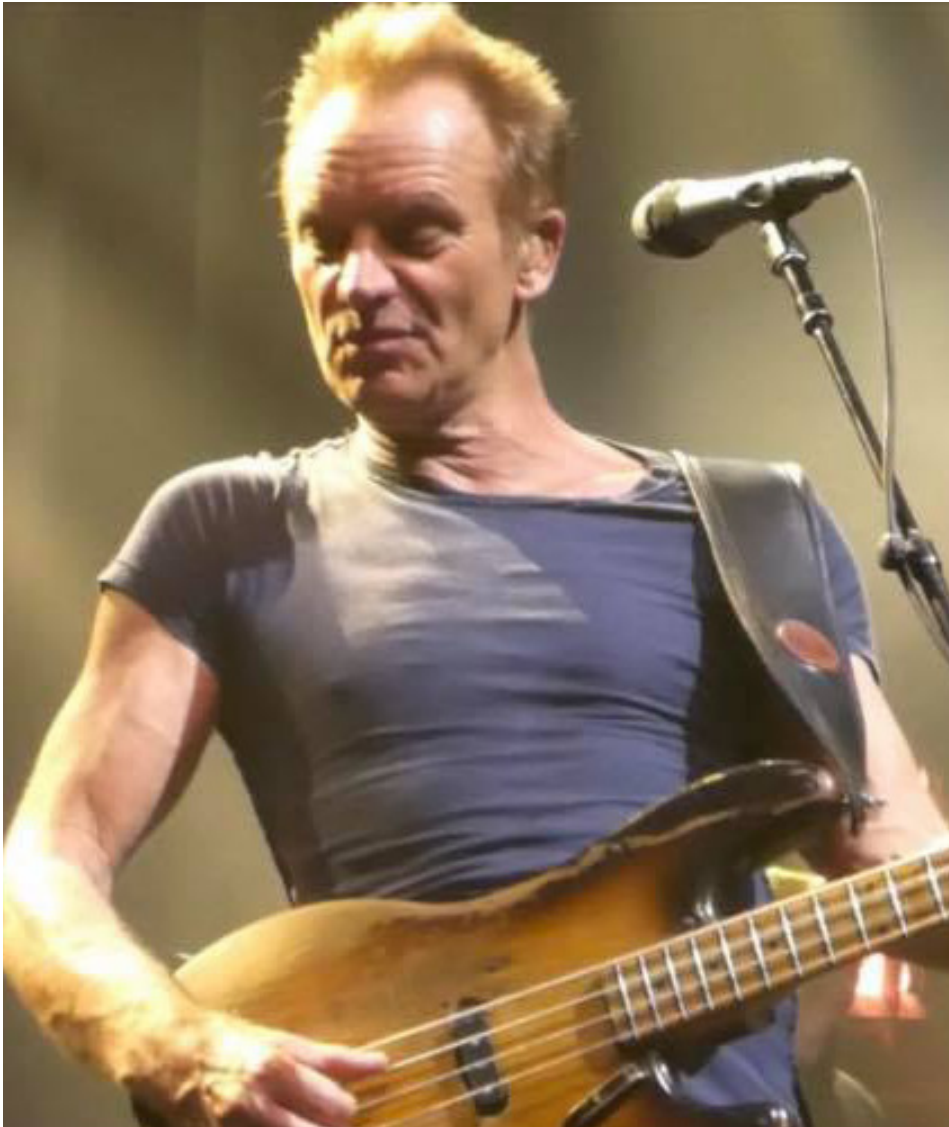
CLUES ACROSS

- Autonomic nervous system
- Kids love it in summer
- Dashes
- Polynesian sarong
- Chapter of the Koran
- Evlidoer
- Japanese commercial city
- A way of binding
- Early Christianity French historian
- Kids' term for bugs
- Beloved family holiday activity
- Work unit
- Bundle
- A number or amount not specified
- Military official (abbr.)
- Queens ballplayer
- Type of gibbon
- Norma Jean's stage name
- Places
- Bluish greens
- Argued publicly
- Having the shape of a cube
- They star at weddings
- Indian god associated with reproduction
- Ocean sunfishes
- Slowly leak through
- Plant part
- Midway between south and southeast

CLUES DOWN

- Accumulate on the surface of
- Not a good feeling
- Got smaller
- Helped a golfer get around
- Military forces
- Partner to ways
- Low, one-horse sleigh
- Japanese seaport
- Inclined to favor
- Avid reader
- Lead singer of Heart
- Pigeon sound
- Vital part
- People who are not Jewish
- Shed tears
- Pokes holes in the ground
- Beverage receptacle
- Stone used to surface roads
- French-Belgian river
- Type of phone
- Long-lasting light bulb
- Type of medication (abbr.)
- German city
- Animal disease
- They're in martinis
- Get away from
- Dormouse
- Database management system

Answers on Pg. B21



Sting

Whether as the frontman for The Police, or through the decades as a solo artist, Sting has woven a beautiful tapestry of sound that blends elements of rock, jazz, reggae, classical and worldbeat. He's to perform at Saratoga Performing Arts Center on Wednesday, Sept. 7

Sting / Facebook

Theater, Dance & Media program. Exhibit starts May 21st through October 2nd.

Lauren Kelley Location Scouting—Conceived and designed for conversation, dialogue, study, and contemplation, Location Scouting is the fourth exhibition in a series that invites an artist to re-imagine what a community space in the museum can be. Artist and curator Lauren Kelley reshapes the Tang Teaching Museum's mezzanine by combining meditations on travel with snapshots of everyday life in her drawings, sculpture, and stop-motion animation videos. Using plasticine, toys, and souvenirs, Kelley's videos conjure worlds that are malleable and unfixed, inhabited by robust protagonists whose quirks stem from efforts to correct the asymmetrical relationships they encounter. Accentuating the off-kilter, Location Scouting speaks to the shifts and rifts inherent in navigating today's post-pandemic landscape. Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Museum hours: Tuesday - Sunday, noon to 5 p.m.; Thursday until 9 p.m. Free admission; suggested donations of \$5/adult; \$3/child 13+; seniors, \$2. 518-580-8080 or tang.skidmore.edu

Union College Galleries Addenda-

Custodians of archives wield great power and responsibility in considering who might be left out, disempowered or silenced in the creation of a specific narrative by those who use their records. Addenda centers interpretation and augmentation of past and present

through the archive in an effort to construct a fuller future. The three contemporary artists featured in this exhibition, Gina Adams, Merritt Johnson and Sonya Kelliher-Combs, draw on history, cultural traditions, and archives, along with a strong belief in seeking alternative narratives to create artworks that exist dually, as both physical constructions and as a record of unconsidered perspectives and often unrecognized pasts. Exhibit is on going until June 12th.

University Art Museum

Ronny Quevedo: Offside-

Inspired by his mother's and father's respective careers—a seamstress and a professional soccer player—multi-media artist Ronny Quevedo will occupy the arched walls of the museum in a newly commissioned work with diagrammatic vinyl lines that recall both dress patterns and gymnasium floors. Throughout this exhibition, which will include artwork from 2012 to the present, Quevedo's own family's emigration from Ecuador to New York serves as a catalyst for work reflecting on socio-political issues of migration, Indigenous experiences, and sacred spaces. University Art Museum is located at 1400 Washington Avenue, Albany.

COMEDY

Anthony Devito & Guests

Originally from New Jersey, Anthony DeVito is a NYC based comedian. He's

appeared on CBS The Late Show with Stephen Colbert, Comedy Central Stand Up Presents: Anthony DeVito, Comedy Central's Adam Devine's House Party, and was one of the "New Faces" at the 2012 Montreal Just for Laughs Festival. In addition to stand-up, he's been featured on "This American Life," was a writer on Netflix's The Break with Michelle Wolf, and wrote for the 2018 White House Correspondents Dinner. Catch this show September 9th at 8 p.m. only at the Comedy Works, 388 Broadway, Saratoga

Josh Adam Meyers

Josh Adam Meyers is a comedian, host, writer, actor, producer, and musician from the Washington D.C. area. He is the creator and host of The Goddamn Comedy Jam, a live comedy and music show that continues to be one of the most popular live shows in Los Angeles at its base, The Roxy. This show inspired a TV version that ran for a season and a special on Comedy Central. The show's live festival appearances have played to up to 15,000 people. Josh can also be seen voicing 'DJ' Howlin Hank' on Bill Burr's Netflix show "F is for Family". In 2020, Josh was featured on Comedy Central's Bill Burr Presents The Ringers, closing out the first episode. Josh tours festivals and clubs around the country as a stand-up, and has appeared at JFL Montreal as a New Face in 2013, JFL Toronto, Moontower, Bonna-ro, New York Comedy Festival, Bumber-shoot, Madison Square Garden, Kennedy Center, Blue Whale, Outsidelands, RIOT, Bridgetown, Life is Beautiful, and Clus-terfest amongst others. Josh is currently

the host of the podcast "The 500 with Josh Adam Meyers" where he is going through Rolling Stone Magazine's 500 Greatest Albums List, which was a Spotify Original from 2019-2020. Catch this show September 9th at 7:30 p.m. only at the Funny Bone, 1 Crossgates Mall Rd #K-206, Albany.

Neil Hamburger

"America's Funnyman" Neil Hamburger has worked every imaginable stage, from New York's Madison Square Garden, to a show in pitch black darkness at the Edinburgh Fringe Fest. He has performed countless American, Australian, British, Irish, and Canadian tours, as well as in Norway, New Zealand, and the Bahamas, alongside acts ranging from Faith No More to Robin Williams. His TV credits include Tim and Eric Awesome Show, Tom Green Live, and Jimmy Kimmel Live. His Live At Third Man album was

produced by Jack White in Nashville; an earlier Hamburger effort was included in SPIN's "40 Greatest Comedy Albums Of All Time." The feature movie Entertainment, a dramatic look at Hamburger on- and off-stage co-starring John C. Reilly, Tye Sheridan, and Michael Cera, premiered at the Sundance and Locarno Film Festivals, and was released in 2015 to rave reviews. His recent Drag City album of lavishly-produced songs, Still Dwelling, featured a memorable trio version of Jesus Christ Superstar's "Everything's Alright" with Neil singing alongside Mike Patton and Jack Black. Catch this show September 11th at 8 p.m. only at Lark Hall, 351 Hudson Avenue, Albany.

MISCELLANEOUS

Jerusalem Reformed Church

Soup, Sandwich, and Desert Take-out.

Saturday, October 9th from 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. Donations welcome. Please note, masks are required to enter the building. 1433 Indian Fields Rd, Feura Bush.

Troy Farmers Market

More than 80 food growers, bakers, chefs and artisans gather to offer the Capital District's freshest and finest! Live music, great food, family activities and learning opportunities. Every Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Troy. Free admission. 518-708-4216 or www.troyfarmersmarket.org.

Schenectady GreenMarket

Vendors, shoppers, musicians and friends gather at this festive marketplace featuring more than 60 vendors who produce everything they sell. Sundays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free admission. 518-986-0318 or schenectadygreenmarket.org/

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MUSIC

Battle Ave / Ciarra Fragale / Beams

Ciarra Fragale is an indie pop singer/songwriter, producer, and actor from NY's Hudson Valley. By blending the nostalgic traditions of songwriting with unique new-wave sensibilities, she creates a refreshing sound all her own. In addition to making her own music, Ciarra has also composed many works for theater and film. "Ring", the first song on Battle Ave's third full length album I Saw The Egg, begins with the warped cries of Jesse Doherty's newborn daughter Esther while his wife soothes her. It's a sound that sums up the thematic universe of the album, where rock star dreams of a past life are displaced by the beauty and patience of becoming a new parent. It's an album that embodies the creative enrichment that comes with becoming a father while also highlighting the challenges in navigating shifted priorities and new responsibilities. Much like the keys that blossom over the baby's cry, "Ring" introduces an album that embraces both chaos and calm. Catch the show September 9th at 8 p.m. only at 9 Maple Ave.

Kat Wright Trio

Kat Wright, has a voice that is both sultry and dynamic, delicate yet powerful, gritty but highly emotive and nuanced. Add to that voice enough stage presence to tame lions, and the combination of feline femininity proves immediately enchanting. There's soul flowing in and out of her rock 'n' roll with a serpentine seduction. Kat Wright, Bob Wagner (guitar) and Josh Weinstein (bass) lean into their trio formation, showcasing their folksy / rootsy selves, all stripped down, a triangulation of their strengths, their bareness, their imperfect humanness, their voices, their ferocious tenderness, their love of songs and singing and story. Catch the show September 8th at 7 p.m. only at Caffe Lena, 47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs.

John Gorka

At festivals and concert halls around the world, on TV and radio, singer, songwriter, guitarist, and pianist John Gorka raises goosebumps with his soulful baritone and sharp observations in rich, multi-faceted songs full of depth, beauty, and emotion. Whether he's performing a song brimming with love and loss, a keenly felt vignette about daily life, biting social commentary, or just plain old down-home humor, John displays an unerring grasp of words, melody, and the details that trigger universal understanding. Catch the show September 9th at 8 p.m. only at Caffe Lena, 47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs.

Bill Staines Song Night

Folksinger Bill Staines was a wise and gentle songwriter from New Hampshire who performed on the Caffe Lena stage more than any other performer in our 62 year history. Twice a year from 1968 to 2021, Bill would make his way back to Saratoga to sing his beloved songs that have become staples in our lives.



HOT DATE

THE BROKEN HEARTED: TOM PETTY & STEVE NICKS TRIBUTE!

There will certainly be a Tom Petty vibe around town. You have options, one of which is hitting Putnam Place on Saturday, Sept 10, at 9 p.m.

Patrick Sampson

Only in his early 20s, Patrick Sampson has been channeling the maturity of an older, seasoned songwriter ever since he wrote his first song at the age of 15. The depth of his lyrics and storytelling abilities could've been created by songwriters at least twice his age. He can reel you in with a soothing, very personal acoustic song, then change lanes and tear things up on his Gretsch electric guitar (Patrick became one of Gretsch's youngest Endorsed Artists at the ripe old age of 17) and a multi-octave voice that doesn't sound like anyone else in the business. It's no wonder the Watertown, New York native has been called a younger version of James Taylor, Gary Clark Jr., Tracy Chapman, and other gifted storytelling musicians. Patrick's limitless creativity, warm personality, and his ability to create personal song-stories that emotionally connect with people has grown his fan base to over 100,000 followers on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube. Catch this show September 11th at 7 p.m. only at Caffe Lena, 47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs.

Rob Aronstein Duo

Robert Aronstein has been performing in the New York State Capital District for the past 38 years. Currently, he gives solo performances on piano and as a pianist/vocalist; leads jazz duos, trios, and quartets featuring many of the areas finest jazz musicians; and can provide solo piano music or a band tailored to any cocktail hour, party or event. Rob teaches Instrumental Band, Jazz Band, and Guitar at Oneida Middle School in Schenectady, NY, grades 6 - 8, and is an adjunct at The College of Saint Rose teaching Music Technology. Rob was named the Schenectady City School

District Teacher of the Year 2014. Rob also provides digital recording services, live sound services, and MIDI programming services. These include mixing and recording live events, recording and producing studio sessions for solo artists and bands making CD's, music for sale on the web, and demo recordings. Rob provides for rental his collection of vintage Hammond Organs, Rhodes, Wurlitzer and Kawai stage pianos, as well as studio and stage microphones and PA equipment. Catch this show September 8th at 2 p.m. only at Centre Street Pub, 308 Union Street, Schenectady.

The Dude Abides

We originally met and formed in 2010 via craigslist with the intent of being a 1990's/2000's cover-band, but quickly realized how much fun it was to perform everything back to the early 70's so...after several line up changes and 10 years of experience under our belt...we've matured into a professional Classic/Modern Rock Cover Band that consistently leaves our audiences wanting more. We are constantly building our repertoire of songs so our fans have a great experience at every show. Oh, and if you're wondering where the name of the band comes from, you should watch the last 5 minutes of the 1998 cult classic movie The Big Lebowski, but that's just like my opinion man. Catch this show September 10th at 5 p.m. only at Centre Street Pub, 308 Union Street, Schenectady.

DRI

D.R.I. (aka Dirty Rotten Imbeciles) were one of the first bands to fuse hardcore punk with thrash metal, alongside Sui-cidal Tendencies and Corrosion of Conformity. Starting off as a speedy, straight-ahead punk band, they gradually mixed more elements of heavy metal into their

sound; as they did so, their songs got longer and featured more sections and more tempo changes. D.R.I. managed the then-rare feat of crossing over to metal audiences while retaining their skatepunk and hardcore fan bases; they had something for all those audiences to love (or hate). Vocalist Kurt Brecht and guitarist Spike Cassidy were the two constants throughout the band's frequent lineup shifts and kept the band going for well over a decade. D.R.I. were formed in Houston, Texas in May 1982, evolving out of a defunct hardcore band called the Suburbanites. Singer Kurt Brecht, drummer Eric Brecht (his brother), and bassist Dennis Johnson had all played in that outfit, and with new guitarist Spike Cassidy in tow, they renamed themselves Dirty Rotten Imbeciles, after a frequent insult from the Brechts' father (who objected vehemently to their rehearsals). The band was soon performing live around Houston, and before the end of the year, they issued a 22-song debut, Dirty Rotten EP, on their own Rotten label. You can catch this show September 7th at 6:30 p.m. only at Empire Underground 93 North Pearl Street, Albany.

The Score + Dreamers: No More Bad Days Tour

Drawing on anthemic pop, angsty indie rock, and atmospheric electro-pop, Los Angeles-based duo the Score specialize in exuberant, hook-driven tunes. Their full-length debut, 2017's ATLAS, landed in the Top 20 of the Billboard Heatseekers chart and they followed it up three years later with Carry On. An EP, Chrysalis, arrived in 2021. Drawing on anthemic pop, angsty indie rock, and atmospheric electro-pop, Los Angeles-based duo the Score specialize in exuberant, hook-driven tunes. Their full-length debut, 2017's ATLAS, landed in the Top 20 of the Billboard

HOROSCOPES

**September 2022
Week 1**

ARIES - MAR 21/APR 20

This week you may need to carve out some alone time to get yourself centered again, Aries. Too many things have been pulling you in different directions lately.

TAURUS - APR 21/MAY 21

Don't feel the need to conform to what others expect from you, Taurus. You don't have to fit into a mold. Figure out what works for you and go with it.

GEMINI - MAY 22/JUN 21

Gemini, some heavy issues may be coming your way and you'll need to work through them. This may be something that requires collaboration with others.

CANCER - JUN 22/JUL 22

Don't try to force your way into a situation, Cancer. If things don't happen organically, you'll have to try another way or accept things aren't meant to be.

LEO - JUL 23/AUG 23

Leo, the novel approach you'll want to take regarding a situation this week may be met with some opposition. Don't let that deter you from trying something innovative.

VIRGO - AUG 24/SEPT 22

Virgo, even though there have been some big changes in your life of late, there is room for more modification. You simply have to go with the flow for the time being.

LIBRA - SEPT 23/OCT 23

It's easy to get thrown for a loop when so many things are changing rapidly, Libra. Keep your eye on the prize and you will likely come through on the other side just fine.

SCORPIO - OCT 24/NOV 22

Scorpio, the way others see you isn't who you really are. Keep doing what you are doing if you are pleased, as you don't have to change your colors to appeal to others.

SAGITTARIUS - NOV 23/DEC 21

Reevaluate your priorities this week, Sagittarius. You don't need the best or the biggest to be happy. Focus on your health and the little things instead.

CAPRICORN - DEC 22/JAN 20

This is the week to focus on nourishing your spiritual self, Capricorn. If you are religious, attend a service or volunteer for your house of worship; otherwise, meditate at home.

AQUARIUS - JAN 21/FEB 18

Aquarius, a sense of nervousness may have you acting without thinking things through. Team up with someone you trust to thoroughly vet ideas before diving in.

PISCES - FEB 19/MAR 20

Pisces, be careful what you say to others because you don't know what that person will repeat. Avoid gossip at all costs.

Heatseekers chart and they followed it up three years later with Carry On. An EP, Chrysalis, arrived in 2021. Dreamers deliver high-spirited, infectious indie rock in the vein of Surfer Blood and the Vaccines, the latter of whom they joined on tour soon after their inception. Their first full-length, This Album Does Not Exist, arrived in 2016. They hit the Billboard rock and alternative charts with "Sweet Disaster" from their debut before returning to the charts with "Die Happy" from their 2019 follow-up, Launch Fly Land. You can catch this show September 9th at 7:30 p.m. only at Empire Underground 93 North Pearl Street, Albany.

Mike Campbell & The Dirty Knobs

After more than 20 years as lead guitarist with Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers, Mike Campbell stepped out on his own with a side project, the Dirty Knobs, and waited almost another 20 years before recording their music and releasing it to the public. Playing raucous rock & roll with a ragged but right feel, the Dirty Knobs' debut album, 2020's Wreckless Abandon, saw Campbell and his bandmates beginning with the anthemic sound of his work with the Heartbreakers, and adding the influence of vintage '60s and '70s sounds (such as the Rolling Stones, the Kinks, and Led Zeppelin), as well as a touch of blues. Campbell moved his name above the Dirty Knobs in the billing for their second album, External Combustion, but the group continued to play rock & roll in the vein of the latter-day Heartbreakers. Born in Jacksonville, Florida, on February 1, 1950, Mike Campbell began playing guitar when he was 16 years old. In 1970, he joined the band Mudcrutch with guitarist and singer Tom Petty and keyboard player Benmont Tench. The group were regionally popular in Florida and Georgia, and after relocating to California in 1974, they signed with Shelter Records. You can catch this show September 10th at 8 p.m. only at Empire Underground 93 North Pearl Street, Albany.

Fit For An Autopsy

Though the bulk of death metal deals with some pretty grisly subject matter, few bands match their contempt for society with their sound as well as Fit for an Autopsy. Purveyors of savage deathcore, the band's "music" pairs lyrical misanthropy with pure sonic destruction, creating an assault on both the senses and sensibilities of listeners. Emerging in the early 2010s, the band hit their stride in 2015 with the release of their acclaimed third full-length effort, Absolute Hope Absolute Hell, and continued to push the boundaries of deathcore on subsequent outings like The Great Collapse (2017), The Sea of Tragic Beasts (2019), and Oh What the Future Holds (2022). Made up of singer Nate Johnson (formerly of Through the Eyes of the Dead), guitarist Will Putney (also known for his work as a producer for bands such as Like Moths to Flames and Misery Signals), guitarist Patrick Sheridan, bassist Shane Slade, and drummer Josean Orta, Fit for an Autopsy made their first splash in 2009 with the release of their EP Hell on Earth, putting them on the radar of Red Chord vocalist Guy Kozowyk, who signed the band to his label, Black Market Activities. In 2011, Fit for an Autopsy released their uncompromisingly brutal full-length debut, The Process of Human Extermination. You can catch this show September 11th at 6:30 p.m. only at Empire Underground 93 North Pearl Street, Albany.

Stone Temple Pilots with Special Guest Robot Monster

The alternative rock explosion of the 1990s was framed as a triumph of au-

thenticity: grunge wiped out the sleazy hair metal of the '80s and ushered in an era of real, dangerous rock. Stone Temple Pilots complicated this narrative considerably. The quartet of Scott Weiland, Dean and Robert DeLeo, and Eric Kretz had a foot planted in two seemingly opposed camps, cutting their teeth on the Southern California hard rock circuit of the late '80s yet working steadily with Brendan O'Brien, who also produced albums by Pearl Jam, one of the biggest bands to hail from Seattle, the birthplace of grunge. For a while, STP outpaced their contemporaries at least in terms of hit singles, racking up constant plays on MTV and rock radio with "Plush," "Creep," "Big Empty," "Vaseline," "Interstate Love Song," and "Big Bang Baby." Each of their signature hits boasted a canny blend of crunching classic rock riffs, psychedelic flair, and candied pop melodies, a combination that helped the songs endure beyond the band's '90s heyday. Behind the scenes, Stone Temple Pilots were plagued with personal problems, many stemming from Weiland's troubles with addiction, and the weight of these battles led to the band's breakup in 2002. After a few years, the group reunited long enough to deliver a comeback album in 2010, but Weiland died of an accidental overdose in 2015, leaving the surviving members to carry on with replacement lead singers, including late Linkin Park frontman Chester Bennington and The X Factor competitor Jeff Gutt. You can catch this show September 10th at 7 p.m. only at Frog Alley Brewing, 108 State Street Schenectady.

J.Wail ft/ Natalie Cressman (Trey Anastasio Band) Special Guests & E-Block

J.Wail Live Band is a collaboration of musicians from different realms who have come together to melt and fuse live instruments with sounds of their electro funkiness. This Fall, J.Wail is headed out on the "Fall FunkDown Tour" with his all-star lineup Live Band featuring Natalie Cressman (Trey Anastasio Band), Ryan Dempsey (Twiddle) and Kito B. (Particle) and more! The tour will entail 5 select dates on the East Coast. Melding together the sounds of funk, electronic beats and a live band, J.Wail and an array of special guests, rise to the call of the sonic traffic controller- creating a realm of joy, funky

flavors, and euphoria for all. The dance floor becomes the launch pad where the band fuses live instrumentation with organic electronica propelling mind, soul, and booty into the upper stratosphere of sound. Stretching into the electro funk based dance sound with the approach of a live band, J.Wail encompasses mind bending music with the element of surprise and improvisation. On a quest to spread music, tours have logged stops on many corners of the globe and far off galaxies. "Wailien" dance parties have been spotted in North America, Asia and Africa. Guests of the show are ALWAYS encouraged to dress in their finest "Wailien" attire. We are the e-block, a five piece band from upstate new york. we're into indie r&b -- nobody really knows what it means but we love the classics and we love the new stuff, too, and we try to play like soulquarians and write like they used to do out in laurel canyon. we're big on musicianship, geeks for the liner notes, but above all we're about making stuff that feels good to listen to. Our band is led by multi-instrumentalist luke pasarella and saxophonist james soren. luke started the band from a garage as a teenager, bringing his neighborhood friends on as bandmates. james joined the group in 2017 after a run-in at suny albany, and from there started bringing his own friends into the fold. Today we work out of james' garage, chopping it up with neighbors new and old. there's drummer dom toma, keyboardist devin tetlak, guitarist anthony 'ace' campoli, bassists aaron ginsburg and joey farber ... you might see them at a show or hear them on a record. It's a good neighborhood here at the e-block, and it's only growing bigger. in the past year we've built a studio and started producing for new friends, like r&b wizard souly had. there's lots more on the way this year: more live shows, more artist collabs, and new music every month. hope you can join us for the action. You can catch this show September 9th at 8 p.m. only at Lark Hall, 351 Hudson Avenue, Albany.

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J. Wail Live Band ft. Natalie Cressman

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CONCERT REVIEW

Brandi Carlile & Indigo Girls at Tanglewood

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LENOX, Mass.
— Storm clouds were gathering above Tanglewood on August 30, the summer amphitheater on the most eastern part of Nippertown. Brandi Carlile had cancelled last year's performance there due to her own illness, and many worried that the outdoor concert might be delayed again due to the foreboding skies. Faithful fans gathered regardless of the darkening sky, covering every inch of the lawn with children playing on trees, kicking balls, and eating scrumptious picnics thoughtfully packed to prepare for the Tuesday evening.

Brandi Carlile's opener, the Indigo Girls, drew their own fans. Amy and Emily, the folk icons famous for their "Closer to Fine" hit (among others) from 1989, took

the stage at 7 pm for their opening set. Accompanied by a very pregnant Lucy Wainright Roche on vocals and the talented Lyrus Hung on fiddle, Amy and Emily performed their most beloved songs with fans dancing and singing along through hit after hit. When her guitar string broke on "Land of Canaan", Amy helped herself to a new guitar as her bandmates waited patiently, repeating their chord progression until she was ready.

Perhaps the most memorable song in the set was "Country Radio," a song telling the story of a gay kid growing up in the country who loved country music but found little space for them in it. The crowd swayed in recognition of what it is like to be excluded when one wants so badly for inclusion.

I recently reviewed the Indigo Girls' performance at Albany's Egg, and I'm happy to report that this performance was able to showcase Emily's beautiful voice once again by adjusting the key they

performed many of their hits to a lower key. They sounded fabulous, and their fans kept pace with sing-a-long energy reminiscent of their concerts in the early 1990s.

The Indigo Girls were a great opener for Brandi Carlile, if for no other reason than the folk icons clearly influenced her beautiful writing and courageous authenticity. Add in the fact that most of Brandi's fans were also serious admirers of Amy and Emily, and the stage was set for an emotional night.

Brandi Carlile's bass and guitar-playing twin brothers Phil and Tim Hanseroth initially took the stage set for Brandi with some fun guitar and bass playing noted as a "Twintro" by the Carlile folks. The brothers highlighted themes from famous Carlile songs, dancing facing each other as they impressed the crowd with professional technique and their clear joy to be together.

The vibe was intense as other band members took

the stage under cover of stage mist before Brandi leapt on stage in her electric yellow pantsuit, jolting fans to jump up and down applauding before singing her first note. The band launched into "Broken Horses," a beautiful song about survivorship. "Only broken horses know to run," Carlile sang, a warning that this isn't her first rodeo. The band sounded great right out of the gate, forming harmonies that soothed over the rising threat of storms outside.

If you aren't familiar with Brandi Carlile, you might not be aware that she is a fiercely authentic powerhouse of an advocate for survivors: survivors of cruelty, homophobia, racism, and all forms of human abuse. Her songs ring out pride in her own experiences as a gay woman, and she is unapologetically happy with her choices. That message, combined with her clear voice that spans octaves into soprano and tenor ranges, leaves listeners with goosebumps

and energized to live their own truths.

Carlile's performance at Tanglewood was no exception to this experience. She shared one of her newer songs, "You and Me on the Rock," and admitted it was one of the few love songs she wrote. The song is about her happy marriage, "I'm a happy gay" she smiled, and how she learned to build her life "on the rock" taught to her at Sunday Bible vacation camp. ("It wasn't the message intended, but hey, we all learn differently," she slyly joked.) She then launched into her beloved "The Story," a love song she admitted is still her favorite to sing.

Carlile and the twins are famous for their three-part harmony, something she admitted wasn't popular in Seattle in the 1990s when they started out. She described playing chowder bars in the much beloved time of Grunge, clinging to their favorite role models of CSN, the Indigo Girls, and Peter, Paul and Mary.

When the trio launched into "The Eye," their three-part harmonies mastered and lulled the crowd into hushed awe. The heavy rains joining in on the rooftop of the barn could be heard by everyone, bringing wide eyes and smiles across the audience.

Carlile is a rock star, but also a master storyteller. She shared stories of visiting Elton John in France, including a pause during the story to reflect her own reverence for Elton after uttering the phrase, "Elton John sitting at the breakfast table." She made herself vulnerable, sharing stories of parenthood before singing her lovely "The Mother" song, followed by the grittier "Mama Werewolf" song.

The juxtaposition of these two songs reflect so beautifully what Carlile does best: quiet folk and powerful rock, bittersweet lyrics and raw honesty, opposite and yet the same messages. She sings songs that make you think about how you can hold both

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Gardening enthusiasts recognize that fall is not a time to rest on their laurels. In fact, fall is a great season to spend time in the yard. The Center for Agriculture, Food and the Environment at the University of Massachusetts Amherst indicates fall is the ideal time to improve the soil for next season. Amending the soil in the fall allows it to react accordingly over time and reap the benefits in spring. UMass suggests getting an accurate soil test to see what is needed in the garden. Samples

Did you know?

should be taken from various areas. Avoid doing so when the soil is very wet. At-home kits can test for nitrogen, potassium and phosphorous and determine the soil's pH. Gardeners should till the soil and add compost or manure, which will counteract many nutritional deficiencies. Worm castings also are good

to add, particularly for summer vegetable gardens. The gardening company Park Seed says that worm castings are high in minerals and effective at holding water — so much so that they even can be used alone in place of potting soil. Crushed egg shells, coffee grounds and banana peels also can be added in the fall, even if they are not part of a compost pile. The nutrients will break down throughout the fall and winter, and be available just in time for summer plantings.



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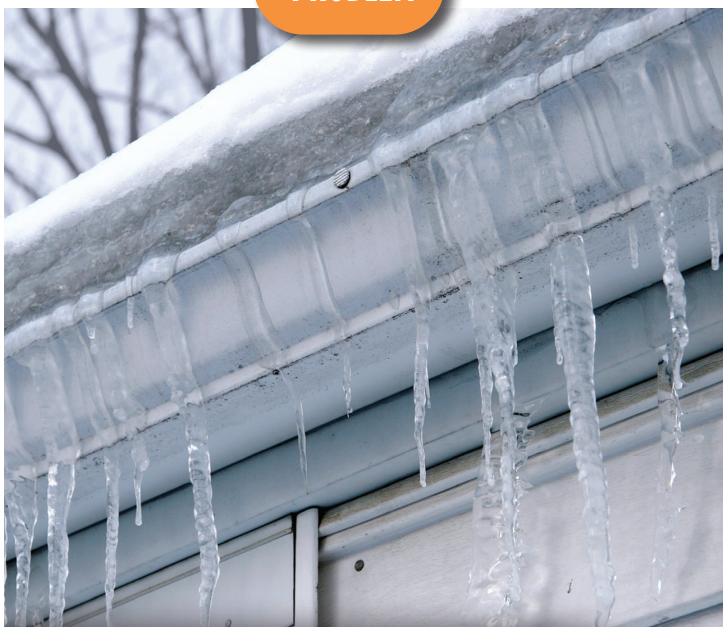
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Seven characteristics of unique modern houses

Homes contain a variety of components that appeal to homeowners with different ideas about the perfect place to call home. That starts with the style of a home.

Buildings are classified according to share components. A Craftsman style home will have a covered porch with a set of wide base columns, while a Cape Cod home is often defined by a gabled roof and dormer windows. Modern houses, which are sometimes called contemporary homes even though the terms are not interchangeable, will have their own sets of unique characteristics. Here's a look at seven features that make modern homes unique.

1. Minimalist approach: Contemporary and modern homes both employ an approach that leans toward minimalism, including clean design lines. Spaces are open and airy without the clutter of too many ornate architectural details. While modern homes may have some curvature to their design, contemporary ones are all about an angular look.

2. Neutral color palette: Modern homes tend to utilize a neutral color palette. Modern homes may use "earthy" elements, such as wood and brick, in ways that do not look rustic. Contemporary homes rely on a color palette of black and white with shades of gray or other neutral colors.

3. Geometric shapes: Modern homes have strong horizontal and vertical elements that showcase geometric shapes in their designs.

Contemporary homes often have flat roofs, while modern homes may not.

4. Large, unadorned windows: Most modern homes showcase a lot of natural light by utilizing large windows that are not covered up by heavy window treatments or elements like shutters and thick trims. Large windows are the focus of the interior and shift attention to the view outdoors.

5. Open floor concept: A hallmark of modern interior design, the open concept floor plan removes many of the walls that tend to separate common areas of a home. This helps to foster the spread of natural light and



maintains the emphasis on simplicity of design.

6. Smart elements: Thanks to the

proliferation of smart technology, smart homes are cropping up with greater frequency. While smart devices can be

included in any home style, they tend to feel like they were designed specifically for modern homes. In a similar vein,

modern homes may include environmentally friendly elements, such as solar panels, upcycled materials, added insulation, and energy efficient lighting.

7. Updated kitchen spaces: The clean lines and attention to technology and open space generally extends to modern kitchens. Modern kitchens tend to feature efficient, top-tier appliances with additional storage and space amenities that keep the room from feeling cluttered.

While some may consider modern homes austere, many others are right at home among their clean lines and airy spaces.



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Easy ways to clean up leaves

Autumn is marked by colorful foliage and plummeting temperatures. Once those leaves reach peak color, they fall from the branches and collect on lawns, necessitating cleanup projects. For homeowners with big yards, such a project can be tiring and time-consuming. However, there are ways to make leaf cleanup easier.

One of the easiest ways to clean up leaves is to reach for a lawn mower rather than a rake. The mower will cut leaves down to smaller sizes, creating an effective mulch that can add nutrients back into the lawn. Davey, a lawn and landscape solutions service, says that mowed leaves also



can be collected in a mower bag and added to garden beds or compost piles.

For those who prefer manual raking, select a rake with tines that will not skewer the leaves in the process. Big rakes also can make faster work of gathering leaves into piles.

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Raking leaves onto a large tarp is another option. Once it's full, the tarp can be taken to the curb where many towns will collect the leaves seasonally. Otherwise, the tarp can be used as a funnel to put leaves into a gardening bag or another appropriate receptacle.

Leaf blowers remain a fast option for cleaning up yards, but they require electricity or gas and can be noisy. Still, they are a popular choice for large landscapes or when quick work needs to be made of leaf clean-up.

Leaves will fall in autumn, but luckily homeowners have various methods at their disposal to tame the mess.

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How to protect wood floors from inclement weather

Wood floors are a worthwhile investment that can improve the beauty and function of just about any room in a home. Even though wood floors are durable, and new protective treatments help seal out many of the things that may have damaged floors in the past, homeowners still need to prioritize protecting their hardwood floors.

Certain seasons of the year can be more harsh on wood floors than others. For example, seasons characterized by moisture and precipitation, particularly the early spring, winter and fall, can be hard on wood floors. The experts at ServiceMaster Clean say that cold, snowy days can damage wood floors, and Lumber Liquidators agrees that winter weather can be harsh on flooring.

Homeowners need not give up on hardwood if they live in an area that sees all four seasons. They just need to take a few steps to keep floors looking beautiful.

- **Clean up the salt.** Salt that keeps sidewalks and streets clear of snow and ice inadvertently gets tracked inside a home. Hard chunks of salt can scratch wood floors, and, if left to sit, that salt can eventually cause white marks and other stains. Routinely vacuuming and sweeping up salt is necessary to protect wood floors.

- **Invest in shoe storage.** Wet or snowy boots can create puddles around the house. Have a special mat or tray by the front door where wet shoes can be kept. A nice bench in the

entryway makes it easy for residents and guests to remove their shoes until it's time to go back outside.

- **Use water-wicking mats.** Homeowners will probably need a few extra mats around to tame errant drips and wipe shoes. Any entrance that might be used by people or pets should be protected. Try to avoid petroleum-based, rubber-backed mats, as they could discolor the wood floor.

- **Control humidity indoors.** Cold, dry air in a home can be problematic because the moisture in the wood can eventually evaporate into the air. The heat will suck that



moisture from the flooring, causing it to shrink, creak and splinter and become

more brittle. Think about investing in an in-line humidifier for the home's

HVAC system that can keep a moderate amount of humidity in the home.

Hardwood floorboards are installed to accommodate minor temperature and humidity fluctuations. This is typically a range of between 60 and 80 degrees F with a relative humidity range of 35 to 55 percent, advises ServiceMaster.

- **Use the right cleaning products.** Avoid excessive water to clean wood floors, and select soaps that are specially designed for wood flooring. Consult with the flooring manufacturer for a list of detergents that are safe to use.

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A beginner's guide to fall planting and maintenance

Spring and summer are perhaps the busiest times of year for gardeners. However, fall also is a prime time to tend to gardens.

The tree and bare root retailer Bower & Branch advises that soil temperatures in many regions of the country may still be warm enough to encourage root growth well into the start of winter. Furthermore, fall is often the ideal time to plant, fertilize and keep a garden going or to get a head start on next year's bounty.

Here are some tips to make the most of the fall gardening season.

• Think about fall annuals and bulb planting. Near the end of September,

start planting cool-weather-loving pansies and violas for pops of color as summer flowers fade. Also, it's a good idea to stock up on bulbs that will bloom in the months to come before they sell out in stores. Wait until the temperatures really cool down before planting them in desired spots for spring sprouts.

• Sow salad seeds.

Lettuce, spinach, radishes, and arugula tolerate cooler temperatures. Try new and interesting lettuce varieties and enjoy salads well into the fall season.

• Take inventory of the sun.

Positioning a garden carefully means maximizing hours of sunlight, which begin to dwindle in the fall. Experts say gardens grow best in



sunny locations that receive six hours of direct sunlight each day. This is where container gardens can be helpful, as they allow gardeners to move plants into spots that will get ample sunlight.

• Fill in landscaping gaps. Some fall plants can add color around the landscape and brighten up homes to add curb appeal. In addition to pansies and violas, asters, kale and chrysanthemums are fall

blooms. Keep in mind that mums can come back year after year. So take them out of those flower pots and get them into the ground. They can be enjoyed next year as well, sprouting in early spring and developing leaves and buds through late summer.

• Clean up unwanted growth.

Fall is an ideal time to cut back spent vegetable plants and get rid of errant weeds. Rather than bagging leaves, mow them with a grass catcher and then add the mix to a vegetable garden as an excellent soil insulator. The nitrogen and carbon will fertilize the soil, enhancing growing possibilities and limiting weed growth.

• Propagate plants in the fall. As temperatures

gradually begin to cool, start taking cuttings from perennials, gathering seed pods from azaleas and rhododendrons and dividing hardwood cuttings, says the resource Gardening Know How. Consult with a garden center or horticulturist on the proper ways to propagate stems using rooting hormone and other techniques.

• Continue to water plants. Water is essential in the fall and winter as roots can still be growing. Gradually reduce watering duration as plants go dormant.

Fall planting and maintenance can extend gardening season and improve the chances of growing a healthy spring garden.

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Brandi Carlile

truths in your hands at the same time, loving them both while not always understanding how such opposites can both be real and alive — and yet they are.

Carlile talked a lot

about her heroes, including the Indigo Girls, Elton John, and of course Joni Mitchell. She shared her experience of singing with Mitchell at the Newport Jazz Festival this summer before diving head first into

“Woodstock,” a cover of Mitchell’s sexy song about getting ourselves “back to the garden.”

Carlile’s version, dare I say it, exceeded expectations.

She also covered “Rocket Man” before pausing at the glittering piano for a dramatic version of “Right on Time.” Hints of Elton John’s

influence were overt.

Carlile and the band challenged listeners with the politically charged “Sinners, Saints and Fools” for treatment of immigrants before reminding fans to stay strong in the face of cruelty with her famous “The Joke.” Important to note: Sistastrings played a mindblowing composition

at the end of “Sinners, Saints and Fools” that screamed a warning of hell facing those who claimed borders as a reason for the mistreatment of others.

Carlile returned to the piano for an emotional rendition of “Party of One,” a love song about returning home after a fight with her lover. Bandmates slowly left the stage, with Carlile

nodding each member off.

The band returned accompanied by The Indigo Girls for an encore performance of “Go!” before Carlile reminded everyone overtly of her message with “Stay Gentle.” In the final song of the night, a cover of “Over the Rainbow” was played before a rainbow of colors behind her.

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Kevin Hays Trio at The Falcon

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MARLBORO — Although the New York City native has been a fact of life for many years, Kevin Hays doesn't get the love that flows freely to young guns like Joey Alexander and Christian Sands. Happily, Smoke Sessions has spent the last few years reminding us about

the ongoing genius of hardcore players like Renee Rosnes, Vincent Herring and Nicholas Payton, among many others. They teamed Hays up with bassist Ben Street and uber-drummer Billy Hart, and the result was 'All Things Are,' one of the best releases of 2022. Hays brought another killer rhythm section to Live At The Falcon in Marlboro, and the results were impeccable.

Al Foster is one of those aforementioned Smoke Sessions legends. He just put out his own

SS release "Reflections" and Hays plays piano on the date. Matt Brewer did not, but he's on the same level as Street when it comes to smokin' phat bass lines, so Hays certainly didn't have to worry about the floor he'd be dancing on. Hays started the set in the clear with a thoughtful meditation that led into "All Things Are" (Hays' breakdown of the Jerome Kern / Oscar Hammerstein classic "All The Things You Are"), augmented slightly by cymbals made to hiss by Foster's brushes. Then Brewer

stepped in, and everything stepped up a notch.

Hays loves adding layers on top of layers, slowly building the beauty and complexity until you're looking at the musical equivalent of a stained-glass window. He went from "All Things Are" to a bopping-and-weaving take on Wayne Shorter's "Capricorn" that made its loud intentions known even as the trio kept things totally chill. While he did throw in his own composition "For Heaven's Sake," it was mostly

about interpretation for Hays, turning Lennon & McCartney's "With A Little Help From My Friends" into a touching ballad, and morphing "Scrapple From The Apple" into his own raucous piece "Unscrapulous."

Hays dedicated the lovely ballad "Song for Peace" to the late Tony Falco, continuing the series of tributes to the late club owner. "This place was built on absolute love," Hays enthused, nailing Falco's passion for music and art.

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The one shot that sums up what I learned this summer from my new hobby of macrophotography is of a dandelion that had gone to seed — or that ball of white puffy stuff kids wish upon before blowing it into the wind.

I had my camera, with a relatively new macro lens attached, and as I walked by what is widely consider a weed I decided to take a couple shots. My camera autofocused on the white things that most people see, and then I played around a bit and manually focused on its center, the ball holding the stems that hold the white puffy things.

The result, by looking just a bit closer even at something as mundane as a dandelion, was as unexpected as it was beautiful.

I readily admit I got into macro photography on a whim. I walk my dog every day — rain or snow, if its 97 or minus 7 — and it started as something for me to do while Bixby sniffs trees and chases chipmunks through the woods.

So, what is macrophotography? Put simply, all it really means is creating an image of something as large or larger than it is in real life. For example, the intricate head of the damselfly below is about an eighth of an inch across, at most. Seeing one balance — or pose — on the edge of a leaf is, well, pretty cool.

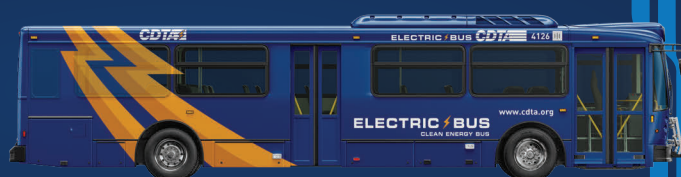
And, there are nearly as many ways to take a macro photograph as there are subjects. From attaching the lens backwards on the camera, to extending the distance between the lens and the sensor by using tubes or bellows to attaching what is essentially a magnifying glass to the front of a lens. Even cell phones offer macro options.

The best part about it, though, is being able to literally walk anywhere and find scores of things to shoot; most of which have probably been walked by a thousand times without a second glance or thought.

Some of the photos in the gallery below are macro in the traditional, purest form of at least one-to-one magnification. Others are just close ups of some bugs or flowers. Either way, it has been a most satisfying endeavor, and it has given me a different perspective on a lot of things.

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**HERE'S HOW THE SPOTLIGHT
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Spotlight News and participating businesses are adding some excitement this season with Spotlight News Football Challenge. Connect with readers and local VIP guest pickers as they (and you) play for bragging rights and a chance to win some awesome prizes; trip for two to Hawaii, Flat-Screen TV, FatHeads® and more! — Just by simply guessing the winning team of each game during the pro football regular season.

Don't Know Anything About Pro Football?
Well then, you my friend have the chance to dish-up the ultimate smack-down on know-it-all football fanatics ...and win prizes too!

The challenge runs through entire 22 week season — **Sept. 8 to Feb. 12.** Contestants may go to spotlightnews.com/football and create a free account; invite family, friends and co-workers to play against. Then pick the winning teams prior to the start of each week. Local and national prizes will be awarded weekly.

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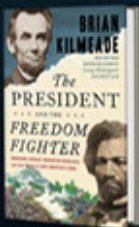
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