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Local police find cache of weapons following traffic stop.

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HomeGoods sets date to open new Glenmont location.

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Developers eye a 103-unit apartment building in Elsmere.

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TOP STORY

Happy trail to all

Fisher Trail expands access to outdoor recreational activities for people of all ages, abilities

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**

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SLINGERLANDS — New York State Department of Conservation hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony to officially open the Fisher Trail at its Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Tuesday, Oct. 11.

The newest trail boasts accessibility for people of all abilities. Most of the trail's 0.66-mile length is constructed in compliance with DEC accessibility guidelines for people with mobility disabilities and expands access to outdoor recreation opportunities on DEC lands.

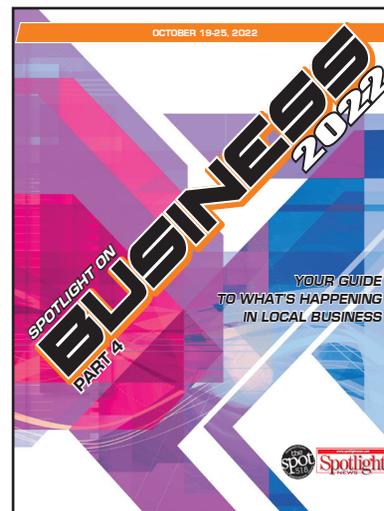
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A group of hikers take in a different perspective of the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center following the grand opening of its new Fisher Trail.

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Weekly Volunteer FIREFIGHTER CALLS



Friday, Oct. 7

01:27 PM Crash PI RD / ROUTE 9W Elsmere, Selkirk Fire Department

Sunday, Oct. 9

08:38 AM Structure Fire Vulnerable LC ROUTE 9W Selkirk Fire Department
 01:10 PM Structure Fire Vulnerable LC AUTUMN DR, 265 North Bethlehem Fire Department
 01:54 PM Crash PI 9W / BEACON RD Elsmere, Selkirk Fire Department
 05:07 PM Structure Fire Alarm TEASDALE DR Slingerlands Fire Department

Monday, Oct. 10

05:44 PM Structure Fire Alarm FRONTAGE RD Elsmere Fire Department
 09:36 PM EMS Call HICKORY DR North Bethlehem Fire Department

Tuesday, Oct. 11

09:18 PM Crash PI WALDENMAIER RD Delmar Fire Department

Wednesday, Oct. 12

01:39 PM Structure Fire Alarm HICKORY DR Slingerlands Fire Department
 06:32 PM EMS Call HICKORY DR North Bethlehem Fire Department
 09:58 PM Structure Fire Alarm JESSICA LN Selkirk Fire Department

Thursday, Oct. 13

11:55 AM Structure Fire Alarm WESTOVER RD Delmar, Elsmere, Slingerlands
 02:48 PM Haz Mat WAYNE PL Delmar, Slingerlands Fire
 05:34 PM Crash PI RD / ROUTE 9W Selkirk Fire Department
 11:48 PM Structure Fire Alarm NEW SCOTLAND RD, 112 Delmar, No. Bethlehem, Slingerlands

Each Week, Spotlight News lists calls from Delmar, Elsmere, North Bethlehem, Slingerlands and Selkirk fire companies. These department are comprised of local volunteers. Please consider serving your neighbors as a volunteer firefighter.

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POLICE, FIRE and EMERGENCY CALLS

A surprise inside

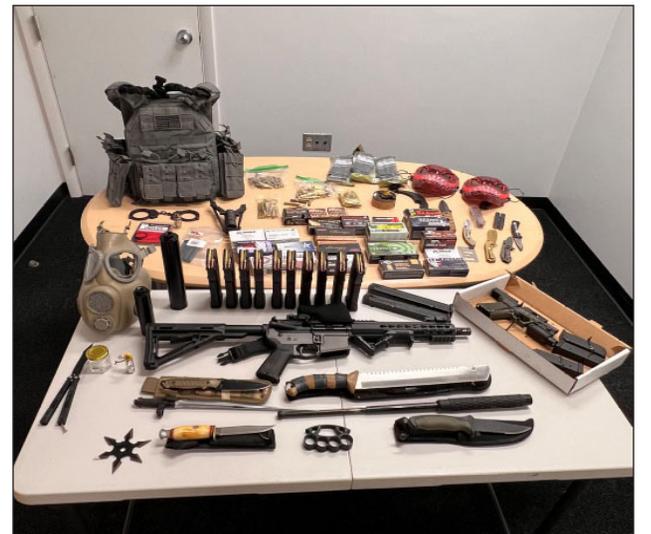
Traffic stop reveals weapons cache in trunk

By JOHN MCINTYRE
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GLENMONT — A traffic stop and subsequent arrest of a Earlton man for being unlicensed and driving an unregistered vehicle without insurance led to the Bethlehem police to find a trunk full of weapons, including a ghost gun, an illegal assault rifle, body armor and bomb-making material.

On Monday, Oct. 10, at approximately 10:11 p.m., Bethlehem police performed a traffic stop in the Walmart parking lot after the police patrol vehicle's license plate reader alerted the officer that the vehicle had an expired registration while it was traveling on Route 9W.

The driver of the vehicle,



Bethlehem Police Department

Kyle Brush, 35, was found to not have a valid license and the vehicle was not insured. He was taken into custody and processed for aggravated unlicensed operation and operating a motor vehicle with a suspended registration, both misdemeanors, and operating a vehicle without insurance. He and a front seat passenger, Rachael M.

Thompson, 40 of Albany, NY were issued appearance tickets and released from the scene, but the car was to be towed from the scene.

When officers were doing an inventory of the vehicle prior to being towed, they found the cache of weapons and bomb-making materials.

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For additional questions, please contact Kristin Vivian, Director of RSVP and Volunteer Services 518-459-2857 ext. 308 or by email kvivian@colonieseniors.org

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TOWN NEWS

HomeGoods to open

Grand opening at to be next Saturday at Glenmont Plaza

GLENMONT — HomeGoods, the off-price home décor store, announced it will open its Glenmont Plaza location at 388 Feura Bush Road with a grand opening on Saturday, Oct. 29.

The new retailer will have an approximate 23,000-square-foot floor plan, and store officials said it expects to bring 65 full- and part-time jobs to the area.

“Our amazing values, brand names, and vast assortment make HomeGoods an exciting destination for shoppers,” HomeGoods president John Ricciuti shared in a statement. “With a large variety of merchandise from around the world, customers will always find thrilling values in our treasure hunt shopping experience. We are happy to provide Glenmont, NY with a new HomeGoods.”

HomeGoods will open the new storefront at 8 a.m. that Saturday, and is to keep doors



A contractor adds a touch of paint on the Glenmont Plaza facade before the anticipated opening of HomeGoods, which is to be next Saturday.

Michael Hallisey / Spotlight News

open until 10 p.m.

The retailer announced it will contribute to the local community by presenting a \$10,000 donation to Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Capital Region. The Albany Ronald McDonald House has served more than 17,000 families from across the country and around the world. The House is the cornerstone of RMHC of the Capital Region, providing a home away from home — free of charge — for

families with children facing serious medical issues.

HomeGoods merchandise departments include furniture, rugs, lighting, decorative accessories, kitchen and dining, bedding, bath, pet accessories, storage, workspace, outdoor, gourmet, wellness and more. All stores, including the newest openings, have updated health and wellness practices to help protect the health and well-being of customers and associates.

Fall Leaf Pickup

BETHLEHEM — The Town of Bethlehem announced it will start vacuuming loose leaves collected by residents on the sides of area roads, and it passed along advice on how best to help them.

Annually, the Town of Bethlehem collects about 20,000 cubic yards of just loose leaves — not counting other yard debris. This is the equivalent of nearly 200,000 lawn bags and requires a major effort each fall.

The loose leaf pickup schedule is below and updated regularly beginning in mid-October. Town said it strives to stay on schedule but seasonal rain storms can hamper the cause. Oddly enough, a warm, sunny weekend can have the same effect, causing sudden increases in volume after everyone goes outside to rake.

Regular weekly pick up of yard waste will continue while loose leaves are being collected and is a much quicker process. Leaves and grass clippings placed in reusable containers or yard waste bags, along with tree branches — under 4 feet long — piled neatly at the curbside will continue to be picked up on your regularly scheduled yard waste collection day. Consider this alternative for faster leaf pickup.

To help town crews pick up your leaves as quickly as possible, the Town suggests placing loose leaves on the lawn at the edge of the roadway, and to keep stormwater inlet grates clear to ensure proper drainage. Keep leaf piles long and narrow on the edge of the lawn as opposed to short and deep.

The Town strongly discourages residents from depositing their leaf piles on roadways. In the past, they have attributed this behavior to causing hazardous conditions for motorcyclists, bicyclists and pedestrians.

Yard waste and branches should be separated from leaf piles. The Town said branches and ornamental grasses will clog the leaf vacuum slowing down pickup. If these items are mixed together, the Town of Bethlehem cannot collect them with vacuum equipment, and they will have to be rejected.

— Michael Hallisey

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■ TOWN NEWS

Apartments eyed for Rockefeller Road

Town's development committee to hear concept pitch for 103-unit, three-story building

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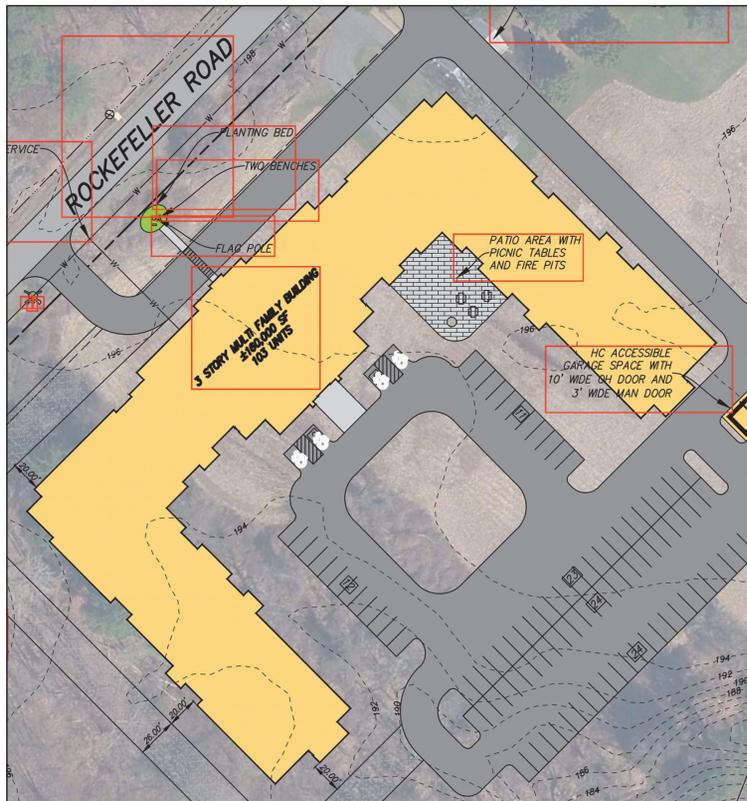
ELSMERE — The concept for a three-story, 103-unit apartment building at 152 Rockefeller Road will be presented to the Bethlehem Development Planning Committee on Thursday, Oct. 20, at 10 a.m.

Hershberg & Hershberg, an Albany-based engineering firm, is presenting a concept site plan for a three-story, 160,000-square-foot residential building that includes 75 parking bays to accommodate 10 garage bays, with an additional 100 uncovered spaces. The footprint also includes plans for a patio with picnic tables and additional space for bocce and pickleball courts.

According to its website, [Hershberg & Hershberg's] recent work includes Bleecker Terrace Apartments, The Seasons at Mohawk View in Cohoes, Crown Pointe Condominiums in North Greenbush and DelaturRoad Senior Citizen's Housing in Colonie...

According to public record, the 16.7-acre lot was sold last September for \$840,000 and is zoned for multi-family use.

Hershberg & Hershberg provides site work design and approval services for apartments and condominiums, detailing grading plans, landscape plans, sewer, water and storm drainage systems. According to its website, the firm's most recent work includes Bleecker Terrace Apartments, The Seasons at Mohawk View in Cohoes, Crown Pointe Condominiums in North Greenbush, DelaturRoad Senior Citizen's Housing in Colonie,



The proposed apartment complex for Rockefeller Road is on a 16.7-acre lot that neighbors the popular Albany County-Helderberg Rail Trail.

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St. Sophia's Senior Citizen's Housing, Park Lane Apartments and Park Lane Subdivision both in Menands.

The Development Planning Committee is represented by various town departments, including the planning and zoning boards, engineering and highway. They are involved in facilitating or servicing development projects in town under the direction of the Department of Economic Development and Planning. Their meetings allow prospective developers to present concepts and receive feedback. The committee then provides guidance on such things as zoning and building codes, land use regulations, environmental impact and neighborhood compatibility.

According to the Town, issues discussed during the committee are not intended as a full project review. Proposed projects receive a more comprehensive review once they are submitted to the planning board.

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■ EDUCATION

Any questions?

BCSD to host Q & A: Student Safety forum, taking questions now for in-person event

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**
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DELMAR — The Bethlehem Central School District announced it will hold its Superintendent Q & A: Student Safety at BC at the high school on Tuesday, Nov. 1, at 7 p.m.

Superintendent Jody Monroe will host an in-person evening of questions and answers about student health and safety in the waning days of the district's first quarter of the 2022-23 school year. The event will not be livestreamed, however, it will be recorded for viewing at a later date.

The evening will include an overview of district student safety topics by the superintendent.

"As we hopefully move past the COVID pandemic, we are directing more emphasis

and resources on other aspects of student health and safety," said Monroe. "Our students deserve our undivided attention as they resume lives that were interrupted during such a critical phase of growth and maturity. We want to share with parents what we are doing as a school community to support their children."

School counselors, building administrators, school resource officers, and community mental health providers will also be on hand to answer questions regarding general school safety practices, proactive measures in the district, student mental health resources in schools and community mental health supports.

The evening will also bring to light how families are important partners

in keeping students and schools safe, and how student cell phone use at school and at home affect children's lives.

District parents, guardians, and high school and middle students are invited to attend. Middle school students should be accompanied by a guardian. High school students are welcome to attend with or without a parent or guardian.

There will be an opportunity to submit questions during the presentation, however, parents and guardians are encouraged to submit questions ahead of the Nov. 1 Q & A. Families are encouraged to submit questions through the school's website.

Middle school and high school students who have questions should relay those questions to a parent or guardian. A parent can submit their child's question.



A day at the lake

LAWSON LAKE — Fall was in the air and fishing lines in the lake as Albany County Executive Daniel P. McCoy ushered in the Albany County Fall Festival at Lawson Lake County Park on Saturday, Oct. 15.

Albany County Executive Daniel McCoy

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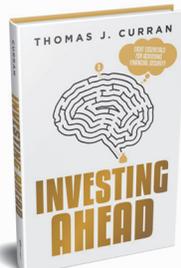
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August 2021 and August 2022
(not seasonally adjusted)

Metro Areas	August 2021	August 2022
Albany-Schenectady-Troy	4.2%	3.3%
Binghamton	4.9%	3.9%
Buffalo-Niagara Falls	5.3%	4.1%
Dutchess-Putnam	4.3%	3.3%
Elmira	5.0%	4.1%
Glens Falls	4.2%	3.2%
Ithaca	3.9%	3.0%
Kingston	4.6%	3.5%
Nassau-Suffolk	4.4%	3.4%
New York City	9.5%	6.8%
Orange-Rockland-Westchester	4.7%	3.5%
Rochester	4.8%	3.8%
Syracuse	4.8%	3.7%
Utica-Rome	4.9%	3.9%
Watertown-Fort Drum	4.7%	4.0%
Metro Areas Outside of New York City	4.6%	3.6%
Non-Metro Counties	4.6%	3.7%

*Data are preliminary and subject to change.

Unemployment up as summer waned

ALBANY — The New York State Department of Labor reported an increase in the local seasonally adjusted unemployment rate, from 4.3 percent in July to 4.7 percent in August 2022. The Current Population Survey contacts approximately 3,100 households in New York State each month.

New York State Department of Labor

BUSINESS

Rensselaer offers scientists, engineers new pathway to entrepreneurship

TROY — Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute is joining the National Science Foundation New York I-Corps Hub as a new partner institution. The designation comes with a nearly \$700,000 award over five years to help faculty and students commercialize their deep tech STEM-based ideas. Rensselaer's participation in the program is facilitated by the Lally School of Management's Severino Center for Technological Entrepreneurship.

Rensselaer will offer four I-Corps cohorts of six to 10 teams each this academic year. Teams will receive \$1,000 seed funding to explore the commercial potential of a research project with expert guidance along the way. Projects may include medical devices, new materials, software, hardware, physical products, and more. Students will learn to ground their research in real-world problems, lay the groundwork for future startups, and make potentially career-launching contacts. They will be taught the lean startup methodology and the value of customer discovery. After completing the program, participants may be eligible to apply for the second-stage I-Corps program that includes a \$50,000 grant, along with many other funding opportunities.

Since Rensselaer began participating in I-Corps in 2016, 98 teams have completed the program, including 60 from Rensselaer. I-Corps has drawn accolades from students and faculty.

NIH Awards Albany Medical College \$2M

ALBANY — Scientists at Albany Medical College, a member of the Albany

Med Health System, have been awarded a \$2 million, five-year grant from the National Institutes of Health to study how cancer cells move in confined spaces.

Cells adapt how they move based on the environment they're traversing. Dr. Logue and his team will focus on a type of movement called fast amoeboid migration. Combining in vitro and in vivo approaches, they'll seek to determine if the same suite of factors must be in place for both cancer cells and immune cells to transition to fast amoeboid migration in confined environments.

Titled "Molecular Mechanisms of Confined Cell Migration," the research is funded by a MIRA (Maximizing Investigators' Research Award) from the NIH's National Institute of General Medical Sciences).

Plug commissioned for world's first offshore hydrogen production site

LATHAM — Plug Power Inc. and Lhyfe announced last week the world's first production of hydrogen at sea on a floating platform.

The offshore site features a Plug state-of-the-art 1-megawatt electrolyzer on an offshore green hydrogen production site in Saint-Nazaire, France. Plug's electrolyzer will be directly powered by offshore wind turbines.

Plug's maritized EX-425D 1-megawatt electrolyzer product will be the first electrolyzer operating on a floating platform under extreme conditions.

The project, named "Sealhyfe," paves the way for leveraging offshore wind assets being built globally, and specifically, around the North Sea in Europe. The project will be operated for 6 months at the pier, then for 12 months off the coast of Le Croisic.

■ BUSINESS

Survey: Young people want to move

Kids not involved in career activities that interest them

By **JIM FRANCO**
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LOUDONVILLE — A survey of 1,525 local eighth and ninth graders by the Siena College Research Institute found just 16 percent plan to stay in the area with nearly half, 46 percent, planning to move and 38 percent who are not sure of their future plans.

Mark Eagan, president and CEO of the Center for Economic Growth and Capital Region Chamber of Commerce, called the statistic “eye-opening.”

“The Capital Region is rich with career opportunities in industries that match students’ interests, skills, and traits,” he said in a statement. “But many students just

don’t realize how there are so many local jobs that fit their interests, and if they did then I’m sure many more would see the Capital Region in their future.”

The survey, done in conjunction with Career Jam™ Siemens and the CapNY workforce network, found 37 percent of those surveyed had not engaged in career awareness activities like completing career surveys or career fairs and for those with a C average or lower the number jumped to 55 percent.

Forty percent had not engaged in career exploration activities like career related projects in class or community service and that number jumped to 56 percent for students with a C average or lower.

The majority, 66 percent, say their parents or guardians have the greatest influence on future plans with friends coming

in a distant second at 13 percent.

“This data is invaluable and reinforces the need for more household conversations at an earlier age,” said Shelette R. Pleat, principal for CTE, Capital Region BOCES. “There are so many rewarding careers right here in our own backyard that our scholars have access to. Our programs lead directly into local careers which is more reason that we want to reach parents and households to promote economic opportunity.”

The most students, 28 percent, expressed an interest in careers in the arts, audio/visual technology and communications followed closely, 26 percent, by those expressing an interest in STEM fields — Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.

The survey, though found a disconnect between



a student’s interest and a potential career. For example, some 70 percent of the students say they are about people and 70 percent said they like putting things together. But only 11 percent and 14 percent of students expressed an interest in careers in those industries, respectively.

“Our approach is to help align local stakeholders to strengthen their ed-to-workforce ecosystem,” said Bill Teator, Career Jam™ co-founder. “While others routinely measure the workforce hiring challenges and labor participation, this data plays a crucial role in educators, employers, and policymakers having measurable understanding of how the region’s students’ interests, skills, and educational pathways relate to skills needed in this region.”

Post-graduation Plans	Want to do
Go to a four-year college	68%
Go to a two-year college	29%
Go directly to the workforce	12%
Serve in the military	13%
Work in an apprenticeship	10%
Take a certificate program	6%
Take a gap year	16%

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■ BUSINESS

Study: Area cost of living is going down

Despite inflation, local planning commission observes costs going down in several factors

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**
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ALBANY — The cost to live here in the Capital District is decreasing, so says a report recently released by the Capital District Regional Planning Commission.

Despite nationwide increases in housing prices, mortgage rates and overall inflation, the commission has observed an overall decrease in the cost of living.

“We are in a post-COVID period and while other locations are experiencing inflation, the Capital Region has seen an overall decrease in cost of living,” the commission stated in its last quarterly report. “The only two significant increase observed in the data was transportation and

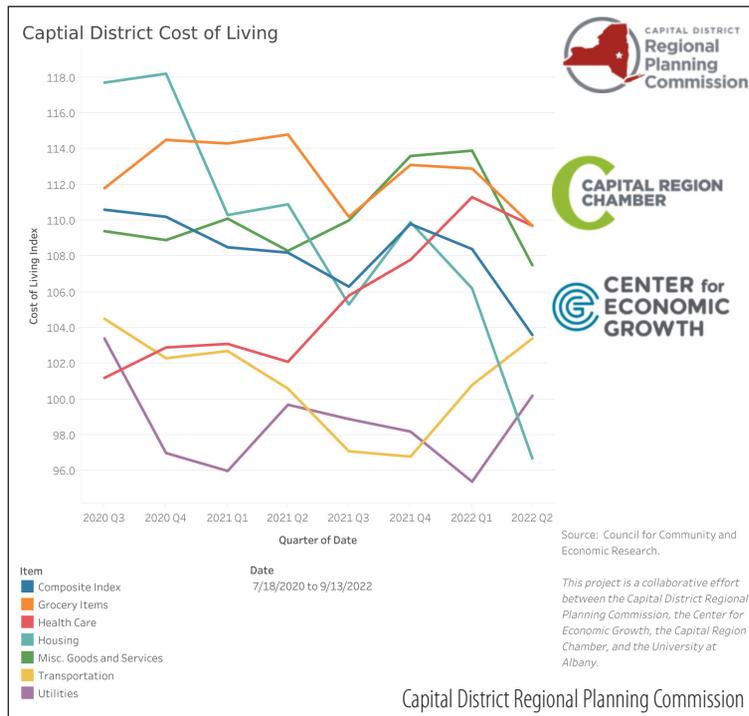
“The only two significant increase observed in the data was transportation and utilities.”

— Capital District Regional Planning Committee

utilities.”

Compiled by the Council for Community and Economic Research, the commission’s Composite Index, which serves as an aggregate of all the categories measured in the COLI Index, has been steadily decreasing. Last year at this time it was at 106.3 and last quarter it was 103.4. When data is collected, it is converted to a scale that puts the average cost for each index at 100.

Cost of Living collects data from cities across the country and tracks changes in the cost of vital goods and services that contribute to an overall cost of living. Data on grocery items, health care, housing, miscellaneous goods and services, transportation and utilities is compiled into separate indexes. A Composite Index,



which combines these separate indexes, is created to show the general trend for the cost of living in different cities and metropolitan areas.

The data for the Capital

District is collected quarterly by graduate students enrolled in the Department of Geography and Planning at the University at Albany and is funded through a partnership among CDRPC, the Capital Region

Chamber of Commerce, and the Center for Economic Growth. The methodology, data requirements, and parameters of the data collected are consistent nationwide to assure comparability among the participating regions.

In the Capital District, costs associated with groceries, housing and miscellaneous goods have decreased. Housing and miscellaneous goods, in particular, dropped significantly from 106.2 in this year’s opening quarter to 96.7 last quarter. Miscellaneous goods, which peaked at 113.9 opening this year, decreased to 107.5 within the same time span.

Health care also decreased (109.7) and groceries (109.7).

Conversely, the cost to get around town or heat your home has gone up. Last year at this time, the cost index for transportation was at its lowest at 97.1. Now, it has reached 103.4, it’s highest mark since 2020’s third quarter (104.5). Utilities had dropped to 95.4 compared to open 2022, but has since jumped to 100.2.

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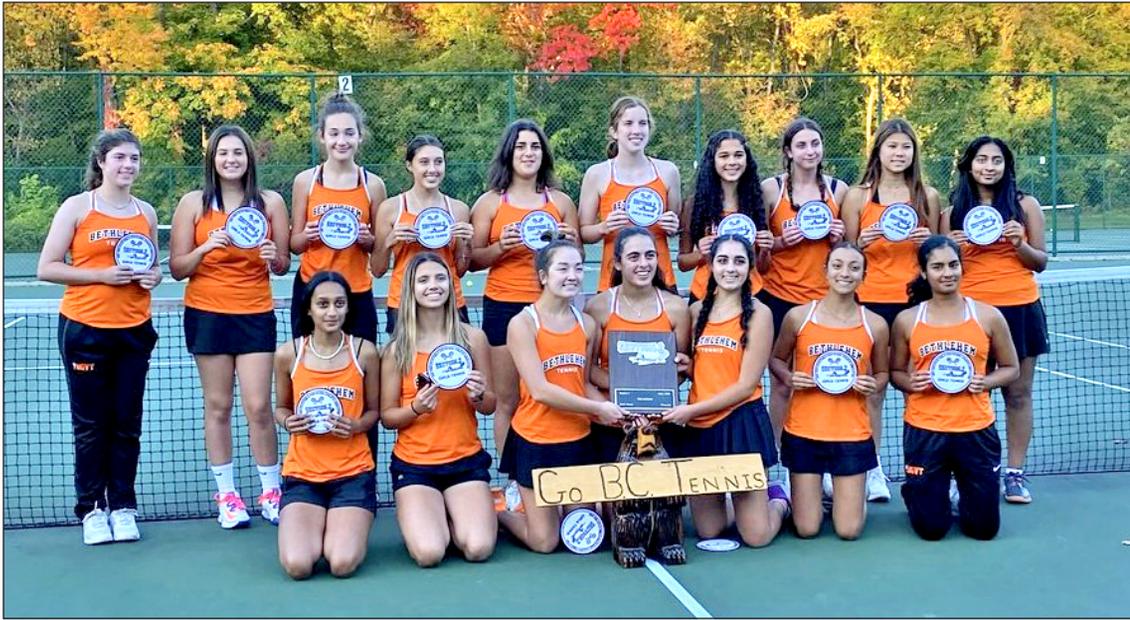
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■ SCHOLASTIC SPORTS

Section II champions



Bethlehem tops Saratoga for sectional championship

By **JIM FRANCO**
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SCHENECTADY — The Bethlehem girls tennis team won the Section II Class A championship after beating Saratoga 8-1 on Friday, Oct. 14, at Central Park.

The Eagles — a Bald Eagle flew over the match as the girls were playing (see photo gallery) — will square off against Burnt Hills, the Class A champs, on

Saturday, Oct. 15 to determine who from Section II will play in regional competition.

The individual match results are:

- Kirsten Phang (B) def. Kate Lindley: 3-6, 6-3, 6-1
- Zara Pattison (B) def. Addison Jones: 6-3, 6-3
- Hope Brown (B) def. Savannah Winter: 6-4, 5-7, 15-13
- Yuri Lin (S) def. Rayka Kogut: 8-6, 7-3
- Ana Peles (B) def. Norah Hoke: 6-1, 7-5
- Purvayi Patil (B) def. Paige

Charlesworth: 6-0, 6-4

The results of the doubles matches are:

- Suzanna Amirbekian and Natalee Huli (B) def. Lexi Diorio and Molly Beauregard: 3-6, 6-3, 6-4
 - Shayna Huli and Kripa Hongalgi (B) def. Taylor Plue and Meili Hoffman-Smith: 6-4, 6-0
 - Audrey Henson and Paige Davenport (B) def. Maggie Anthes and Emma Anthes: 6-3, 4-6, 6-2.
- Visit our website for more photographs from the match.



BC takes shootout for the win

Bethlehem, Columbia go extra frames before shootout yields win

By **JOHN MCINTYRE**
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DELMAR — The Bethlehem Girls Field Hockey was named as the No. 3 seed for the Section II tournament, placing the team against Niskayuna (3-13) on Tuesday, Oct. 18.

This edition went to print prior to the game's results.

Bethlehem finished the season with a 9-7 record, winning two of their last three.

It took the team two overtime periods and three shootouts to nip Columbia 1-0 on Monday, Oct. 10, at Afrims Sports Complex.

Haley Backlund scored the



John McIntyre / Spotlight News

winning shot and goalie Teagan Rosencranse recorded the shutout for the Eagles.

The two teams were fated to cross sticks with one another two days later, with Bethlehem

Central winning that contest 4-0.

The Eagles lost its final game of the regular season by a score of 4-1 against Burnt Hills on Friday, Oct. 14.

■ SCHOLASTIC SPORTS

'Birds use their heads to beat Mohon



Voorheesville sophomore Jordyn Chrysler scores, heading the ball past the defending goalie.



Jim Franco / Spotlight News

By **JIM FRANCO**
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VOORHEESVILLE — The girls soccer team upset Mohonasen 4-3 to move to 9-4 (10-5 overall) and fourth place in the highly competitive Colonial Council.

The Blackbirds jumped out to a 3-0 lead over second place Mohonasen (11-3, 12-3) on goals by Sophia Bouplon, Marleigh Delisle and Jordyn Chrysler. Alexa Voland had the Blackbird's fourth goal that ended up being the game-winner.

Sarah Leclerc and Hannah Bachorik recorded goals for Mohonasen.

Schalmont, the No. 1 Class B ranked team in the state, sits in first place with a Colonial Council record of 13-0 and 15-2 overall.

Voorheesville will round out the regular season at the Academy of the Holy Names on Thursday, Oct. 13. The sectional seeding meeting is slated for Monday, Oct. 17.

Visit our website for more photographs from the game.

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NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

107 MONTROSE LANE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/14/22. 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 Michael Frank, Trustee of the Michael Evan Frank Revocable Trust, 300 East 54th Street, Apt. 27K, New York, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297438

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

11 EAST 1ST STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/20/22. 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 E 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297779

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

132-21 57 AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/12/22. 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, 132-37 57th Avenue, Flushing, NY 11355. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297309

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149 SULLIVAN 6A, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 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, c/o Doron Kless, 5 West 37th Street, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10018. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296790

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

150 GEORGE ST. REALTY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/15/22. 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, 857 1st Street, Watervliet, NY 12189. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297467

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166East93 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of

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the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1601 Third Avenue, Unit 31A, New York, NY 10128. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297229

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

167 EAST 82 STREET 1C LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/22. 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, 345 East 81st Street, 14J, New York, NY 10028. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297230

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

214 OSBORNE TERRACE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/12/22. 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, 95-27 86th Street, Jamaica, NY 11416. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297285

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22 EAST 1ST STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/20/22. 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 E 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297780

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25 TANGLEWOOD LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/22. 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, 1121 52nd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297238

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

2755 E 64TH ST LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/14/22. 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, c/o Doron Kless, 5 West 37th Street, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10018. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296790

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

2841 BROADWAY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/19/22. 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 Milton Kazi, 1248 Lex-

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ington Avenue, New York, NY 10028. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297626

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285 BALCOM AVENUE REALTY, 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, 913 Cherry Lane, Franklin Square, NY 10010. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298327

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30-93 41 STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/13/22. 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 Ioannis Likidis, 40-30 235 Street, Little Neck, NY 11363. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297366

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

34-28 72 STREET REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/15/22. 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, c/o Shiraz Rayani, 62-51 Booth Street, Rego Park, NY 11374. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297482

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3850 BROADWAY REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/20/22. 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 Alma Realty, 31-10 37th Avenue, Suite 500, Long Island City, NY 11101. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297781

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3900 BROADWAY REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/20/22. 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 Alma Realty, 31-10 37th Avenue, Suite 500, Long Island City, NY 11101. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297782

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403 JERSEY STREET, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/06/22. 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, 10 Daniel Street, Farmingdale, NY 11735. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298898

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470 WBY REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/13/22. 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 Herman Silberstein, 70 Ross St., #1E, Brooklyn, NY 11249. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297367

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509 80TH STREET REALTY 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, 515 88th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296943

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5318 12TH AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/14/22. 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, 1235 55th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297440

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

552 OVINGTON LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/21/16. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 9322 Third Avenue, Suite 502, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296880

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

57-1 HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/11/22. 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 Parkit Management, 250 W. 26th Street, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297388

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603 WELL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/12/22. 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, 240 East Palisade Avenue, #4E, Englewood, NJ 07631. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298953

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63-02 WETHEROLE STREET REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/15/22.

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Office: Albany County. 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 Shiraz Rayani, 62-51 Booth Street, Rego Park, NY 11374. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297483

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684 CENTRAL OWNER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/07/22. 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-298782

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7716 65TH STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/11/22. 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, 7716 65th Street, Glendale, NY 11385. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298894

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838 HP REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/23/22. 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, 838 Hunts Point Avenue, Bronx, NY 10474. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298572

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94 DELMAR PL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/12/22. 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, 95-27 86th Street, Jamaica, NY 11416. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297236

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95MBGRJCP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/30/22. 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, 95 Hancock Street, Brooklyn, NY 11216. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298607

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AC POWER 31, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 08/26/22. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware on 11/19/2021. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the

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LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 20 West 22nd Street, Suite 1501, New York, NY 10010. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296776

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ADELINA GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/12/22. 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, 668 Richmond Road, Staten Island, NY 10304. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298941

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ART GURL 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, 78 Roebling Street, #4B, Brooklyn, NY 11211. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298881

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2022 Michelle Curtis, Deputy District Clerk Bethlehem Central School District D-298930

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AUGUST DEV. 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, 1 Rockefeller Plaza, 10th Floor, New York, NY 10020. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297465

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BABANBAPPA ASSETS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/19/22. 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, 1150 Colgate Avenue, Apartment #3C, Bronx, NY 10472. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297607

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BANY LEGACY PARTNERS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/21/22. 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 Alejo Czerwonko, 856 Washington Avenue, 8A, Brooklyn, NY 11238. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297784

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BATON ROUGE CITRUS ADVISORS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/06/22. 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, 333 East 82nd Street, Unit 4D, New York, NY 10028. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298801

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BEZIO ART LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/11/22. 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, 2003 Townhome Way, Huntington Station, NY 11746. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298904

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CHRISTMAS TREE HOUSE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/30/22. 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, 112 St. James Place, Brooklyn, NY 11238. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298606

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CSS WEST CHELSEA, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/15/22. 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, 80 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1101, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297466

Notice of Formation

of DMARZ Auto Detailing LLC, a Domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 09/02/2022. Office location: County of ALBANY. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 357 Delaware Ave #254, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: any lawful purpose. D-298721

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DUMPLING PINE ST. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/30/22. 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, 2072 East 65th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11234. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298613

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EASTBOUND EQUITIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/06/22. 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, 102 East 22nd Street, #2AB, New York, NY 10010. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296964

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ELEVEN S PORT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/29/22.

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ELIE WEISS DDS PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/06/22. 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, 1845 East 21st Street, Brooklyn, NY 11229. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Dentistry. D-296966

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FIG & GRAPE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/16/22. 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, c/o Chef Driven, 630 Ninth Avenue, Suite 803, New York, NY 10036. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298783

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GRAND BABY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/16/22. 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, 17 Williams Avenue, Syoset, NY 11791. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297572

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HANNI'S HAUS 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, 83-12 63rd Avenue, Middle Village, NY 11379. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298344

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HARRIS EQUIPMENT 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, 60 Cutter Mill Road, Suite 505, Great Neck, NY 11021. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296775

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HEART INDEPENDENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 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, 733

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Third Avenue, 16th Floor, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296789

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HORTON FALLS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/06/22. 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, 5 Palisades Drive, Suite 315, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298803

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HUDSON POND LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/03/22. 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 The Kahan Group CPAs LLC, 99 Tulip Avenue, Suite 308, Floral Park, NY 11001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298641

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

JDC2H LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/29/22. 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, 370 Lexington Avenue, 27th Floor, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298611

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

KALI NYC HOLDINGS, 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, c/o Law Offices of Michael J. Simon, 60 East 42nd Street, 46th Floor, New York, NY 10165. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298380

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

KINGSWOOD CAPITAL SOLUTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/20/22. 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 Lassar & Cowhey LLP, 730 Third Avenue, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298361

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

KOU CONSULTING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/22. 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, 165

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Vanderbilt Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297226

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

LABOGROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/09/22. 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 Acacutime, 1001 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10018. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297644

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

LI FRONT RUNNERS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/23/22. 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, 176 Norwood Avenue, Port Jefferson Station, NY 11776. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298559

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MARBLEVORES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/12/22. 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 Joseph Birbiglia, 355 Hope Street, #2, Providence, RI 02906. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297287

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MARTINEZ REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/04/18. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Nancy Martinez, 427 57th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11220. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298594

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MISHAJOE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/14/22. 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, 29 West 36th Street, Suite 407, New York, NY 10018. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297443

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

MJS 1623 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/22/22. 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, 230 East 88th Street, Apartment 5E, New York, NY 10128. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298557

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MONAGRI LIGHTING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 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, 934 Jefferson Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11221. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296791

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

NINTY FENIMORE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/23/22. 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, c/o Zanaben LLC, 25 Robert Pitt Drive, #206, Monsey, NY 10952. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298567

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

OKTO EPSILON HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/02/22. 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, c/o Gordon & Petkos LLP, 5 Columbus Circle, Suite 710, New York, NY 10019. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296867

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

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NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

OLD HAT VINTAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/13/22. 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, 45-72 172nd Street, Flushing, NY 11358. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297772

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

PHILIP RUSSOTTI PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/03/22. 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, 420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 2700, New York, NY 10170. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Law. D-298642

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PICO HOUSE 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, 339 Nostrand Avenue, 402C, Brooklyn, NY 11216. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297685

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING UPON PRELIMINARY BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Preliminary Budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023 has been completed and filed in the Office of the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY where it is available for inspection by any interested person during office hours. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem will meet and review said Preliminary Budget and hold a public hearing thereon, at the Town Hall, Delmar, NY at 6:00 p.m. on the 26th day of October 2022 and that at such hearing any person may be heard in favor of or against any item or items therein contained. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 108 of the Town Law, the proposed salaries of the following officers, subject to final approval of the 2023 Town Budget, are hereby specified as follows: Supervisor \$ 132,868 Town Board Members (each) \$ 17,531 Town Clerk \$ 86,603 Superintendent of Highways \$ 117,084 Town Justice (each) \$ 61,805 Receiver of Taxes \$ 72,492

and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such Notice shall be published once in the following newspapers: THE SPOTLIGHT, the official newspaper of the Town on October 19, 2022 and the TIMES UNION, an Albany newspaper, on October 19, 2022. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM NANJI MOQUIN, TOWN CLERK D-298927

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

PRETTY BOY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/16/22. 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, 17 Williams Avenue, Syoset, NY 11791. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297573

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

PROACTIVE DEVELOPMENT GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/14/22. 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, 22 East 41st Street, Third Floor, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297428

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

REMEMESH NARAIN OT, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/26/22. 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, 37 Clearview Drive, Wheatley Heights, NY 11798. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Occupational Therapy. D-298317

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Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 22 East 41st Street, Third Floor, New York, NY 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297428

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NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

SAT3 STUDIO, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 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, c/o Tesser, Ryan & Rochman, LLP, 151 Fisher Lane, Suite 200, White Plains, NY 10603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296792

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION

SMITHTOWN MEDICAL REALTY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/27/22. 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, 10 Daniel Street, Farmingdale, NY 11735. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298593

NOTICE OF SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING VOORHEESVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK DECEMBER 6, 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Education of the Voorheesville Central School District, in the County of Albany, New York, adopted on October 3, 2022, a Special District Meeting of the qualified voters of said School District will be held on

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2022

from 2:00 o'clock P.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) in the Voorheesville Middle School Foyer, 432 New Salem Road, Voorheesville, New York, for the purpose of voting upon the following two Propositions:

BOND PROPOSITION

RESOLVED: (a) That the Board of Education of the Voorheesville Central School District, in the County of Albany, New York, (the "District") is hereby authorized to undertake a capital improvement project (the "Project"), substantially

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as described in a plan prepared by the District, (the "Plan"), which report is on file and available for public inspection at the office of the District Clerk; including: (i) the construction of improvements and alterations to the Voorheesville Elementary School and site, including, interior reconstruction and space reconfiguration; improvements to the lighting, fire safety, plumbing and building systems; roof work; replacement of ceilings, stairs, flooring and doors; and site improvements including outdoor learning area, sidewalk and paving enhancements, at the estimated cost of \$10,059,874; and (ii) the construction of a new bus garage, at the estimated cost of \$15,216,189; all of the foregoing to include the original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus and ancillary or related site, demolition and other work required in connection therewith; and to expend therefor, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$25,276,063; provided that the costs of the components of the Project as set forth herein and in detail in the plan may be reallocated among such components if the Board of Education shall determine that such reallocation is in the best interests of the District;

BOND PROPOSITION

RESOLVED: (a) That the Board of Education of the Voorheesville Central School District, in the County of Albany, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to construct improvements and alterations to the Voorheesville Elementary School and to construct a new bus garage, and to expend therefor an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$25,276,063; (b) that the amount of \$1,000,000 from the District's "Building Project Reserve Fund-2017" is hereby authorized to be expended to pay for a portion of said cost and further that the amount of \$3,500,000 from the District's "Building Project Reserve Fund-2018" is also hereby authorized to be expended to pay for a portion of said cost; (c) that a tax is hereby voted in the amount of not to exceed \$20,776,063 to pay the balance of said cost, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; and that in anticipation of said tax, bonds of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$20,776,063 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable.

ENERGY PERFORMANCE PROPOSITION

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Voorheesville Central School District, in the County of Albany, New York, (the "District") is hereby authorized to construct energy efficiency and conservation improvements to District facilities, as authorized by Article 9 of the Energy Law and Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, at an estimated cost of \$2,000,000, such amount to be financed, in anticipation of the realization of energy cost savings, pursuant to an energy performance contract. The voting will be conducted by ballot as provided in the Education Law and the polls will remain open from 2:00 o'clock P.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) and as much longer as may be necessary to enable the voters

ENERGY PERFORMANCE PROPOSITION

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Voorheesville Central School District, in the County of Albany, New York, (the "District") is hereby authorized to construct energy efficiency and conservation improvements to District facilities, as

From page 1 ... Fisher Trail

“The outdoors belong to everyone, and completion of this new trail at Five Rivers will reduce barriers between individuals with disabilities and the beauty of DEC’s lands,” said Commissioner Basil Seggos. “DEC appreciates the partnership of the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy, and support from Friends of Five Rivers and the Accessibility Advisory Board, which were all vital to completing this new outdoor footpath and further enhancing the offerings at Five Rivers.”

As part of the trail project, DEC Operations crews constructed an elevated viewing platform and installed several accessible benches along the trail. The trail largely follows a route laid out by members of the Student Conservation Association AmeriCorps program. Two new parking lots, each with a map and information

kiosk, are available off Fisher Boulevard and the end of Mason Lane.

The project was funded with \$400,000 from NY Works and the Adventure NY initiative. DEC is making strategic investments through Adventure NY to improve access to state land and water, rehabilitate and improve campgrounds, and upgrade DEC recreational facilities. To learn more about DEC’s Adventure NY Infrastructure Improvement projects, go to DEC’s website.

Part of the new trail is on a 35-acre parcel owned by the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy. The parcel is managed as part of Five Rivers through a 2018 easement agreement with DEC.

Fisher Trail is named for the fisher, a member of the weasel family found at Five Rivers, and for Fisher

Boulevard. The half-mile portion of the Fisher Trail that is accessible to people with mobility disabilities runs from Fisher Boulevard past the Mason Lane parking area to a viewing platform overlooking the Phillipinkill. From there, the trail continues down a steep slope into the ravine of the Phillipinkill and on to the Wild Turkey Trail. The Wild Turkey Trail connects with Five Rivers’ other trails and ends at the Visitor Center at Game Farm Road.

“The Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy is very pleased to have played a role in the proportion of the Fisher Boulevard property,” said Mark King, Executive Director of the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy. “Thankfully, a generous landowner and the hard work of many individuals saved this parcel from potential development. The new access and trails across this new property will further enhance Five Rivers and will create new opportunities for even more people to enjoy this wonderful resource.”



A couple reads over the points of interest before hiking along the new Fisher Trail. The parking lot was full late Saturday afternoon, but they had walked. Michael Hallisey / Spotlight News

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then present to cast their ballots. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the applications for absentee ballots may be obtained at the District Office, 432 New Salem Road, Voorheesville, New York during regular business hours, Monday to Friday. Completed applications must be returned to the office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) on November 30, 2022, for an absentee ballot to be mailed to the voter, or the day before said Special District Meeting, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 o'clock P.M., (Prevailing Time), on

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Tuesday, December 6, 2022. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the office of the District Clerk from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. prevailing time on each of the five days prior to the day of said Special District Meeting, except weekends, and on the day set for the Special District Meeting. Any qualified voter may challenge the acceptance of the ballot of any person on such list, by making his/her challenge and reasons therefore known to the Inspector of Election before the close of the polls. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that Military Voters who are not current-

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ly registered to vote may request an application to register as a qualified voter of the District and Military Voters who are registered to vote may request an application for a military ballot by contacting the District Clerk at 432 New Salem Road, Voorheesville, New York, Telephone 518-765-3313 ext. 101 or email: jtabakian@voorheesville.org, for the Special District Meeting on December 6, 2022. The Military Voter may indicate their preference for receiving the registration application and/or application for military ballot by mail, facsimile or email. The application to register and the application for military ballot must be received by the District Clerk no later

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than 5:00 P.M. (Prevailing Time) on November 10, 2022. Military ballots will be mailed or otherwise distributed no later than 25 days before the election. Military ballots must be returned by mail or in person and received by the District Clerk by 5:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) on December 6, 2022. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote in said Special District Meeting and Election. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen (18) years of age or older, and (3) resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days preceding the Spe-

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cial District Meeting and Election. The School District may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law section 2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address. BY THE ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION Dated: October 3, 2022 JESSICA TABAKIAN District Clerk D-298544

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NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION SPK ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/12/22. 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, 335 Carroll Street, 4F, Brooklyn, NY 11231. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. C-298337

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION SUPER ARCHAIC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/19/22. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2122. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail

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copy of process to the LLC, 35-18 Clearview Expy, #355, Bayside, NY 11361. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297609

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION TAX CREDIT GENIUS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/06/22. 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, 2078 Richmond Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10314. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-296976

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION TIDAL DIALYSIS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/30/22. Office: Albany County.

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SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 23-14 College Point Boulevard, College Point, NY 11356. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298956

NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION WOODWARD RESIDENCY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/28/22. 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, 467 Woodward Avenue, Ridgewood, NY 11385. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298604



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR



The Spotlight welcomes letters of local and regional interest. Letters are subject to editing and are limited to 500 words.

All letters must include the writer's name, address and phone number. The Spotlight reserves the right to limit the number of letters published from a single author.

Submissions can be emailed to news@spotlightnews.com. The deadline for all letters is noon Friday prior to publication.

The Spotlight also welcomes longer opinion pieces for the Point of View section.

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Vote Yes on Proposition 2



Last day for letters

The Spotlight reminds our readers the Oct. 26 edition will be the last edition in which letters pertaining to the upcoming Nov. 8 Election Day will appear in print. No political letters will be run in the Nov. 2 edition.

Dear Editor:

This Election Day, Bethlehem residents will make a very exciting decision. We can vote to protect 307 acres of farmlands and open space in Glenmont and Selkirk. Some of this land has been farmed since even before the Revolutionary War. This land will be protected forever and it will be turned into farms and a park. Additional great news is that the land is assessed as worth \$4,000,000 but the owner agreed to sell it for \$3,000,000. We already have most of the needed funds in accounts created

for just such purposes and these funds cannot be used for anything else. With an additional contribution from the federal government, the cost will be covered.

The largest organization working to protect the Hudson River and surrounding areas is Scenic Hudson. The organization works to "...preserve land and farms and create parks..." and calls this a "historic opportunity" for our town and for the whole region. By Voting YES on Proposition 2, we will make this opportunity a reality that residents of our

town and visitors to our town will cherish from one generation to the next.

Please vote Yes to protect farmlands and open spaces because, once it's gone—it's gone forever.

Thank you,

*William Reinhardt,
Albany County Legislator*

*Matthew Miller,
Albany County Legislator*

*Joanne Cunningham,
Albany County Legislator*

*Jeffrey Kuhn,
Albany County Legislator*

*Vicky Plotsky,
Albany County Legislator*

DID YOU KNOW?

5 reasons to shop small vs. big box

The importance of small businesses to the economy cannot be overstated. Though national chains often garner publicity, local businesses are equally, if not exceedingly, worthy of attention.

Here's a deep look at why small businesses are so vital, and why consumers should direct more of their purchasing power to smaller companies rather than the big box retailers and other national chains.

Autonomy and diversity

The layout and offerings at national chains will

be identical whether you live in the mountains or at the beach. Big box stores follow a consistent marketing strategy and look the same regardless of where they are located. That familiarity can come at the cost of variety. On the other hand, an independent business offers the products and services that are reflective of the customers and the community they serve.

Local hiring strategy

Certain big box retailers will hire local residents, but hiring policies may push for promoting from within the organization. This could mean relocating an employee rather than

bringing in someone from the community who may be more in tune with local sensibilities. Small businesses may be more inclined to hire residents they know and keep hiring centralized to the local area — something that keeps more resources and money in the community.

Adaptability and change

Local businesses can move more quickly to respond to economic factors that require change. Since they are focused more on the needs of their customers rather than stockholders, changes can be implemented rapidly without having to go through red tape, meetings

and updates to corporate policies. Changes also can be customized to the local community at large.

Investing in the town

According to the financial resource Financial Slot, shopping at locally owned businesses rather than big box retailers keeps more money in the community. Local property taxes and other taxes paid by the businesses go right back into the community. This helps raise overall value for homeowners and can even reduce their taxes. The funding helps keep police, fire and school departments functioning properly.

Turnover is greater

While no one wants to see a small business fail, that fate is sometimes unavoidable. However, that turnover helps teach communities what was done poorly and helps others learn from those mistakes. It also means fresh businesses will come in and replace the old, driving new growth, opportunity and competition that keeps prices competitive.

The benefits of a thriving small business sector are numerous. Consumers can do their part by patronizing these firms more frequently.

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Get financially fit

A presenter from the Cornell Cooperative Extension will join us for our Friday, Oct. 21, Coffee and Conversation to discuss personal finances as they relate to aging. Participants will learn strategies to assess financial situations, understand the importance of goal setting, and share ways to manage personal spending plans. You will also learn how to protect yourself from consumer scams. The event takes place at 1 p.m. in the Community Room.

Trunk or Treat at the park

How many treats do you get when the library and the Town of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation department team up to host an awesome Halloween extravaganza? A whole trunkload!

Drop by Elm Avenue Park Wednesday, Oct. 26, beginning at 4 p.m. for our annual Trunk or Treat community-wide event, featuring dozens of creative



trick-or-treating stations hosted by local groups such as the library Friends, area scout troops, Delmar-Bethlehem first responders, high school clubs and more.

Halloween costumes are too special to wear just once, so strut your spooky stuff while “trunk or treating” your way through the parking lot. This free event is suitable for all ages.

Trick or Treat at the library

This Halloween, pint-sized princesses, ghouls, pirates and superheroes will haunt our hallways as they trick-or-treat their way among the books. On Monday, Oct. 31, we’re hosting a special trick-or-treating time for our littlest patrons up to age 6 and their families. Stop by any

time between 10 a.m. and noon. Kids can show off their costumes and enjoy Halloween in a safe, dry place. Pick up a free treat bag in the Children’s Place and get started on some library trick-or-treating fun.

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

Learn more about Libby

If you’d like to take advantage of our e-book and audiobook collection, Libby experts from OverDrive will be available later this month in a series of virtual programs to help you access our library’s digital collection through the free Libby app.

Libby Basics on Monday, Oct. 24, at 10 a.m. is for those who haven’t used the Libby app yet to borrow digital titles. This virtual session will get you up to speed.

— Kristen Roberts

Pet Food Drive

GPL is once again hosting a Great Give Back Pet Food Drive through Friday, Oct. 21 to benefit the Mohawk Hudson Humane Society and Whiskers Animal Benevolent League. Please drop off unopened canned cat food and dry dog food / treats; kitty litter; and pet-sized blankets in our lobby, plus small white paper plates and paper towels.

Shrek: The Interactive Movie

Adults ages 18 and up: grab your torch and pitchforks and be here Friday, Oct. 21, at 6:30 p.m. for an interactive Shrek watch party! This cult classic will have you yelling out familiar lines, singing along with Smash Mouth, and noshing on tasty “swamp” cuisine. The after-hours adult fun includes a little trivia, too. Costumes are encouraged!

Horror Movie Trivia

‘Tis the spooky season! Get into the spirit by gathering your fiendishly clever team (up to six players) for several rounds



of terrifying movie trivia on Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 7 p.m. We know you’re just dying to prove you’re master of the macabre and win a Regal Theatres gift certificate! Please register on the Events tab of guilderlandlibrary.org.

Family Movie Night: Hocus Pocus

Drop in Thursday, Oct. 27, at 6:30 p.m. for a movie and free popcorn! This month’s movie is perennial favorite “Hocus Pocus,” starring Bette Midler, Sarah Jessica Parker, and Kathy Najimy as three wicked witches who return to life to haunt Salem on Halloween night. Rated PG for some scary sequences.

Drug Take Back Day

We’re teaming up with the Guilderland Police Department on Saturday, Oct. 29, from

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to once again to host the semi-annual nationwide Drug Take Back Day, a collaborative effort to safely, conveniently and anonymously dispose of unused or expired medications.

Halloween at GPL

On Monday, Oct. 31, at 4 p.m., GPL is hosting a Not-So-Spooky Storytime and Parade. Put on your costumes and join us in the Children’s Library! We’ll conclude storytime with a parade to our Trunk or Treat Halloween event in the upper parking lot.

There’s still time to sign up as a Halloween “trunker!” You can even get decorative supplies and inspiration from us Saturday, Oct. 29, from 1 to 5 p.m. to “Trick Your Trunk” - please register on the Events tab of guilderlandlibrary.org.

— Luanne Nicholson

Tri-City Paranormal

Come join founder Gary Robusto, from the Tri-City Paranormal Society, at 6:30

p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 26. We’ll learn about how paranormal investigators approach the field of the unexplained with as much critical thinking and logic as can be employed. Examine the best possible evidence of paranormal activity from around the region. We will be sharing photos, video and audio recordings of captured activity. Please register.



Thursday Afternoon Movies

Join us Thursday afternoons for a classic movie. All of our movies are audience requested, and cover a wide range of genres. Check out the movie schedule on our events calendar, and see if there is something that might entertain you. The community room now has hearing assistive devices available, to make your attendance more enjoyable. Movies start at 1 p.m.

Linda Brown Jazz Project

Stop by the library at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 20 to listen to Bassist Linda Brown, guitarist Mike Novakowski and violinist/vocalist Teresa Broadwell, as they perform some jazz standards with great melodies and a swing feel. Music is co-sponsored by the Music Performance Trust Fund and the Voorheesville Public Library, arranged by the Albany Musicians Association. No registration needed.

Kanopy

Kanopy is a video-streaming platform that is only available through your public library. You are entitled to 10 free movie credits every month. Just visit voorheesvillelibrary.kanopy.com.

— Lynn Kohler

Library Storytimes

Family Storytime meets in the Library Community Room each Thursday at 10 a.m. and combines music, movement, and stories to encourage play and early literacy. Register for Thursday, Oct. 27!



Romp and Read will help get the wiggles out on Tuesdays and Fridays at 10 a.m. with identical, interactive themes, stories, and action songs with props. Register to reserve your spot for Tuesday, Oct. 25 or for Friday, Oct 28.

Fiber Arts Meetup

Do you love fiber arts? Knitting, crochet, weaving, or anything with yarn? Come hang out with fellow fiber art crafters Saturday, Nov. 5, at 11 a.m. and meet new people and work on your own projects.

Wednesday Movies

Join us as we showcase “Where the Crawdads Sing” as our Wednesday Movies featured film on Nov. 2, at 2 p.m.

From the bestselling novel comes a captivating mystery...see it on our big screen!

Abandoned as a girl, Kya raised herself in the dangerous marshlands of North Carolina. For years, rumors of the marsh girl haunted Barkley Cove, isolating the sharp and resilient Kya from her community. Drawn to two young men from town, she opens herself to a new and startling world. However, when one of them is found dead, Kya immediately becomes the main suspect. As the case unfolds, the verdict as to what happened becomes increasingly unclear, threatening to reveal many secrets.

— Carol Melewski

DWI arrest on Western Avenue

GUILDERLAND
- On Friday, October 7 at about 9:52 p.m. State Police stopped a vehicle on Western Avenue in Guilderland for multiple violations of the Vehicle and Traffic Laws.

During the interview the operator was identified as a 28-year old Colonie man and Troopers observed signs of impairment. Roadside sobriety testing was conducted which indicated signs of intoxication.

He was arrested for DWI and transported to the Guilderland barracks for processing where he provided a breath sample that returned a 0.11 percent BAC.

The man was issued tickets returnable to the Guilderland Town Court on Thursday, Nov. 10 and released to a sober party.

DWI and DWAI on Thruway

SELKIRK — On Wednesday, Oct 5 at approximately 4:35 p.m., State Police responded to the Thruway southbound, in the town of Bethlehem, for a report of an erratic operator. Troopers located the vehicle on the right shoulder in the area of mile marker 137. The driver appeared to be unconscious and not breathing.

Troopers gained entry to the vehicle through an opened rear window and removed the unresponsive driver to the ground to perform CPR. Shortly after administering two doses of Narcan, the driver regained consciousness and refused further medical treatment.

The driver, Carmine F. Rotolo, 42, of Cairo was found to be intoxicated and impaired by drugs. Rotolo was taken into custody, transported, and processed where he provided a breath sample that returned a .11 percent BAC. Rotolo was charged with Driving While Intoxicated and Driving While Ability Impaired by Drugs; both Misdemeanors. Bethlehem EMS also responded to the scene.

He was released to a sober third party with appearance tickets returnable to Bethlehem Town Court on Tuesday, Nov 1.

Multiple forgeries and Felony DWI

GLENMONT — On Friday, Oct 7 at approximately 6:37 p.m., State Police stopped a vehicle on the Thruway in the town of Bethlehem for multiple vehicle and traffic violations.

The driver of the vehicle, Calvin N. Gaine, 28, of Brooklyn, was found to be intoxicated. While Troopers were conducting a vehicle inventory, multiple forgery devices consisting of ID photos and various government identifications belonging to another male were located inside the vehicle.

Gaine was taken into custody, transported and processed where he provided a breath sample that returned a 0.09 percent BAC.

Additionally, Gaine has a prior DWI conviction within the last 10 years and, as a result, was charged with driving while intoxicated and driving while intoxicated with a BAC of 0.08 or greater (Prior Conviction); both felonies.

He was also charged with criminal possession of a forgery device with Intent-Use; a Class D Felony.

Gaine was arraigned at Bethlehem Town Court and sent to the Albany County Jail. He is scheduled to appear on Tuesday, Nov 1.

Driving with mile marker in windshield and DWAI

GLENMONT — On Oct 9, 2022, at approximately 5:26 a.m., State Police received a report of an erratic vehicle which struck a guide rail while traveling north on I-87 in the town of Bethlehem.

Troopers located the vehicle and conducted a traffic stop for multiple violations.

While interviewing the driver, Ngozichukwu J. Agwu, 24, of Bronx, NY, Troopers observed significant damage to the vehicle, as well as the mile marker 97.5 delineator lodged in the center of the windshield.

Agwu was found to be impaired by alcohol and/or drugs and was taken into custody. He was transported and processed at SP Albany where his blood alcohol content was determined to be 0.04%.

Albany County Sheriff's Office Medic responded to SP Albany where Agwu gave a voluntary blood sample.

He was charged with Driving While Ability Impaired Combined Influence of Drugs or Alcohol, Operating a Motor Vehicle Impaired by Drugs, and Reckless Driving; all Unclassified Misdemeanors.

Agwu was released to a sober third party with appearance returnable to the Town of Bethlehem Court on Nov 15, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

Traffic stop nets man on warrants

DELMAR — A traffic stop on Friday, Oct. 7 at approximately 1:53 a.m. resulted in the arrest of a passenger in the car for an outstanding warrant.

Bethlehem police stopped the vehicle near 50 Delaware avenue because the 2018 Subaru did not have a valid inspection sticker. Upon interviewing the driver, a woman from Coxsackie, the officer found she did not have a driver's license.

The passenger in the car, Dante L. Jenkins, 44, of Troy was found to have an outstanding bench warrant from Troy and was taken into custody. He was turned over to Troy police.

The driver was given an appearance ticket and released from the scene.

Thieves succeed on third time at Tractor Supply

GLENMONT — An Albany man attempted to steal two generators from Tractor Supply twice before finally loading them into a UHaul and leaving the parking lot on Monday, Oct. 10.

Bethlehem police were called by employees at the store after John Dominy, 51, and Winsome Smith, 65 of Albany, allegedly entered the store on Monday, Oct. 3 and took two 200-watt inverter generators past the point of sale to the parking lot. Employees confronted

From page 2 ... A surprise inside

According to reports, numerous illegal knives, a rifle (ghost gun), a ballistic vest, large capacity pistol magazines, bomb making materials, brass knuckles, throwing stars, a silencer, and an expandable baton, all of which are considered weapons under NY law.

After the discovery of the evidence, officers located Thompson inside Walmart and she was arrested. She was in possession of a pistol, also a ghost gun, when she was arrested.

Bethlehem police located Brush a short time later on South Pearl St in the City of Albany and he was taken into custody.

Brush was charged with additionally with, criminal possession of weapon – loaded firearm, criminal possession of a weapon – bomb/silencer/machine gun, criminal possession of

weapon – ammunition feeding device, criminal possession assault weapon, criminal sale firearm – unauthorized person and criminal possession of weapon – previous conviction, all felonies.

Brush was arraigned in Town of Bethlehem Court and remanded to the Albany County Correctional Facility in lieu of \$150,000 bond / \$50,000 cash.

Thompson was charged with criminal possession of a firearm, a felony, and conspiracy, a misdemeanor. She was released on an appearance ticket.

Bethlehem police were assisted in this investigation by the Albany County Sheriff's Department, the New York State Police, and the City of Albany Police Department.

Dominy and he left the generators in the parking lot. He returned to the store on Wednesday, Oct. 5 and employees recognized him and called the police. He was arrested for petit larceny, a misdemeanor, given an appearance ticket and released.

Five days later, Dominy and Smith returned to Tractor Supply, took two generators beyond the point of sale and loaded them into a UHaul and left the parking lot. The store employees called police and located the UHaul on Route 9W northbound and performed a traffic stop.

This time Dominy and Smith were charged with petit larceny and conspiracy, both misdemeanors.

Smith was arraigned by Bethlehem Town Justice Andrew Kirby and released to the supervision of probation, due to several open larceny cases awaiting warrant endorsements.

Dominy was arraigned and sent to the Albany County Jail in lieu of \$2,500 cash or \$5,000 bond bail due to his previous convictions, pending charges and previous record of fleeing prosecution. Both are

scheduled to return to Bethlehem Town Court on Tuesday, Nov. 1.

Arrest made in 2020 auto theft

GLENMONT — Bethlehem police arrested an Albany man on Tuesday, Oct. 11 for stealing a Honda CRV from a ARC facility on Feura Bush Road in November 2020.

A staff member of the group home witnessed a man stealing her coworkers vehicle as she arrived for work and he yelled at the woman and fled from the scene in the CRV. Police found the car parked and running on Elm Avenue an hour later, but could not locate the driver.

An investigation identified Danilo E. Medina, 36, as the suspect. According to reports, Medina is a known drug dealer and has an extensive history of larceny related offenses.

He was taken into custody, charged with grand larceny, a felony, arraigned by Bethlehem Town Judge Ryan Dovovan and sent to Albany County Jail.

Level 1 sex offender charged

SELKIRK — Albany County Sheriff's Office was called to Marsdale Court to serve an eviction notice on August 1 to a level 1 sex offender living at that location and found the apartment empty. Bethlehem police attempted to locate Michael Hallenbeck, 44, in September, after he failed to notify the NY Sex Offender Registry of his new address. Hallenbeck was convicted of multiple felony sex crimes against a 6-year old in Columbia County in 1996.

Under law, he has to report his new address within 10 days to law enforcement.

On Tuesday, Oct 11, Bethlehem police located and notified Hallenbeck of the outstanding warrant. He turned himself in and was charged with Sex offender - failing to report a change of address or status, a felony. He was arraigned by Bethlehem Town Judge Ryan Donovan and released under supervision of probation. Hallenbeck also signed and submitted a change of address notification to a Rotterdam address.

E-bike stolen

GLENMONT — On Sunday, Sept. 17 at approximately 1 a.m. a resident of Hancock Drive reported to Bethlehem police that his Addmotor M-60 R7 E Bike was stolen out of a pickup truck parked in the driveway of the home. They found a bicycle at the scene and gasoline and a generator in the truck were not removed.

The victim notified other friends who, along with police, searched the area and one of the friends saw a man driving the ebike but lost him near Jefferson Road.

On Friday, Oct. 14, Bethlehem police were notified that the man who allegedly stole the ebike was walking on Feura Bush Road. Police took Yasier McCall, 19, of Glenmont into custody and charged him with grand larceny, a felony. He was processed, issued an appearance ticket and released.

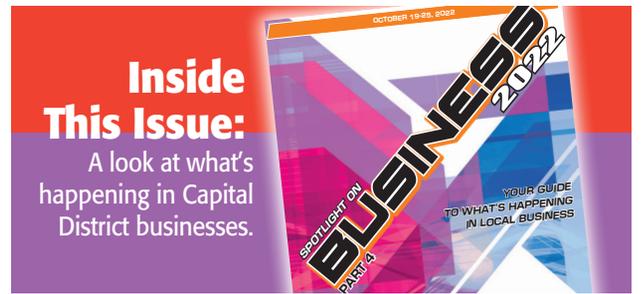
He is scheduled to be in Bethlehem Town Court on Monday, Oct. 17.



Low-flying planes

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CULTURE

Full disclosure

Indian Ladder Farms, Red Tomato show customers what they do, how they do it

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**
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ALTAMONT — More than a century after her family founded Indian Ladder Farms, Laura Ten Eyck can't provide a simple, one-sentence explanation to describe the farm.

"We're an apple orchard with a farm market with a side of brewery," she said. "We have restaurants. We grow other crops. We do pick-your-own. We have an educational program. We do private events here — everything from children's birthday parties to weddings. We have a bakery and gift shop. We sell a lot of merchandise from other farms.

"And that's basically what we do. It's more than just a farm, and it's a year-round thing."

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— Billy Gibbons, ZZ Top



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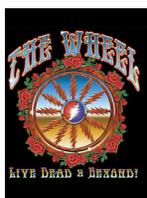
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New Halloween fest for Albany in 2023

Albany's All Hallow-e'en Festival resurrects city's Halloween history

ALBANY — Discover Albany announced plans for "Albany's All-Hallow e'en Festival," a new twist to the original Halloween festival once celebrated annually by the city over a hundred years ago, starting next fall.

The festival will be a month-long celebration with programming from Discover Albany, In Our Own Voices, Albany Center Gallery, Capital Repertory Theater, the Downtown Albany Business Improvement District and the City of Albany. Discover Albany will be hosting themed ghost tours and coordinating programming with partner organizations.

In Our Own Voices will be hosting one of the largest events in the festival lineup, a Halloween House Ball paying homage to Black and Latinx LGBTQ+ house ball culture. Capital Rep will feature ghosts portrayed by actors and their life stories throughout Albany history during tours. Albany Center Gallery will create Halloween-themed window displays in businesses throughout downtown Albany leading up to the festival.

The plans for the festival were made possible by \$282,200 of American Rescue Plan Act funds awarded to Discover Albany and its partner organizations through the City of Albany's 'Albany for All' initiative.

"Discover Albany is thrilled to

THIS WEEK

Sock Out Cancer Benefit Concert

ALBANY — Two of the biggest voices of the 70s will belt out their greatest hits to help benefit cancer patients of St. Peter's Hospital.

Dr. Duncan Savage, chief of radiation oncology at St. Peter's Cancer Care, was one of several speakers at a news conference announcing details of the 2022 Sock Out Cancer Benefit Concert.

The event, which benefits financially distressed cancer patients of St. Peter's Hospital and Albany Medical Center, will take place Saturday, Oct. 22, at The Palace Theatre.

Headlining this year's show will be Classic Rock Voices, featuring Fran Cosmo, former lead vocalist for Boston and Steve Augeri, former lead vocalist for Journey.

For more details on the event, visit <https://www.sockoutcancer.org/events-1>.

Sock Out Cancer is a nonprofit initiative that aids financially distressed families so they can put all their energy into fighting cancer.

have been selected as one of the 35 projects funded through the Albany ARPA grant initiative. This festival will lean into the successful Fall and Halloween-themed programming that we already offer and give a nod to the wildly-successful Halloween Carnival from more than a century ago," said Jill Delaney, Discover Albany President and CEO. "Thank you to Mayor Sheehan, the members of the ARPA selection committee and the Albany Common Council for helping us bring this to fruition!"

"The Albany All Hallow e'en Festival speaks to the proud past of what was done here in the city more than a century ago and the potential for the future," said Mayor Kathy Sheehan. "We

immediately started thinking about how the city could have a role in restoring the vision of the All-Hallow e'en Festival. I know this is going to be an amazing and fun event that we are going to be so proud of."

Sheehan also revealed plans folks can look forward to this month. The Trick or Trot Pumpkin 5K will be a new event this October where participants will run through a Halloween-themed Washington Park "to give everyone a little preview of what is to come next year," Sheehan continued.

Organizations interested in getting involved with the festival can reach out to Discover Albany to discuss partnership opportunities.

WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW

Asbury Short Film Concert

The Linda, WAMC's Performing Arts Studio - Saturday, Oct. 22

ALBANY — Asbury Shorts USA, New York City's longest running short film exhibition and touring show, returns to Albany for an eleventh year to present their nationally recognized "41st Asbury Short Film Concert."

This eclectic screening of world-renowned shorts reels into The Linda, WAMC's Performing Arts Studio, on Saturday, Oct. 22, at 7 p.m.

Richard Lovrich, an award-winning photographer, author and creative director will once again serve as the show's guest host.

Asbury Shorts film concerts feature the best in live action comedy, drama and outstanding animation, without promoting competition. Academy Award nominated director Jason Reitman ("Ghostbusters Afterlife," "Juno," "Up in the Air") calls Asbury Shorts: "The Best Short Film Show I've ever seen!" Combining classic shorts from the past with new international festival selections, Asbury Shorts USA provides a rare opportunity for attendees to see world-class films on real cinema screens as opposed to YouTube, smartphones or computers.

Asbury Shorts film concerts have been presented at: The Museum of Fine Arts Boston, Osprey Art Center in Nova Scotia, Canada, Royal Festival Hall, London, The Old Vic Theater, Chicago, Director's Guild Theater in Manhattan, the Vero Beach Museum of Art in Florida, Summer Stage in Central Park, the AERO Theatre in Santa Monica, CA., The Lake Placid Center for the Arts and the Leminske Theater in Berlin, Germany to name just a few of the prestigious venues where audiences have enjoyed these festival award winning films.

Richard Lovrich, one of the most respected members of the Capital District's creative community, is an independent creative director, photographer and voice actor, but you might know him as the former art director of The Albany Times Union or creative director at Proctors. Richard is also the author of a delightfully dark book of very short stories, Have a Very Bad Day.

"The Linda," WAMC's Performing Arts Studio is a multi-purpose facility located in the heart of Central Avenues Midtown Grid. The 340-seat capacity studio hosts a diverse selection of events including concerts, debates, lectures, films, and other activities, many of which are broadcast throughout WAMC's seven-state listening area and online at wamc.org.

The screening is strongly recommended for ages 16 and way above.

The Linda is located at 339 Central Avenue in Albany.

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HEALTH

Pandemic harder on female teachers

Study shows gender disparities were more closely related to work, COVID-related stressors than caregiving duties

ALBANY — A new study by University at Albany researchers found that female educators experienced the COVID-19 pandemic more negatively than their male counterparts.

The study, which was conducted by NYKids, a research-practice partnership housed within the University's School of Education, adds to emerging research that is finding the pandemic had a disproportionate impact on women in the workforce, who have dropped out at much higher rates than men.

Published last month in the journal *Community, Work and Family*, it also lends new insight into the factors driving teacher shortages across the state and nation, with implications for policy and practice.

"We designed this study with the idea that if we looked at factors of stress and job satisfaction we might get a better sense of how the pandemic was potentially impacting educators differently in different contexts, and what that might mean for kids and families," said Kristen Wilcox, a lead author on the study and associate professor in the school's Department of Educational Policy and Leadership.

The mixed-method study drew on survey responses from over 700 educators at 38 schools across New York. Respondents included instructional staff at P-12 schools, including teachers and teaching assistants, as well as support professionals such as social workers, school psychologists and counselors.

The survey sought to gauge whether female educators were experiencing greater challenges with work-life balance during the pandemic than their male counterparts, and if those challenges were largely attributable to differences in childcare responsibilities or differences in how they experienced work and COVID-related stress.

While some have pointed to the gendered division of domestic labor as a potential driving force behind women's greater stress levels during the pandemic, the survey found otherwise — female educators with and without childcare responsibilities back home reported similar levels of stress throughout the pandemic. Rather, it was higher levels of stress associated with work and the pandemic itself that were the primary drivers of dissatisfaction.

The study authors note that while teaching has been characterized as a "feminized" profession, women remain underrepresented in decision-making positions in schools, which could be a driver of work-related stress.

"Lack of decision-making authority is interesting because there's a clear connection there with people feeling a lack of control or like they're in the dark," Wilcox said. "And so that would kind of explain to us, a little bit, about why women in particular might have been feeling particularly stressed at work — because they either didn't feel or in actuality didn't have that empowerment."

The survey had found that female educators experienced higher levels of COVID-related and work-related stress, reporting more severe struggles to balance work and family responsibilities than their male counterparts. It also found that women with child-care responsibilities experienced similar levels

of stress and work-life balance challenges as women without childcare responsibilities.

Gender disparities were more closely related to work- and COVID-related stressors than their responsibilities as child caregivers, according to the survey. As was the severity of stress and work-life balance challenges was higher among educators who experienced interruptions to their employment, income or social supports.

Although quantitative data suggested that work-related stress was a primary driver of greater negative impacts among women, qualitative data drawn from open-ended survey responses revealed how both male and female respondents struggled to meet the expectations of responsibilities at home and, at times, felt forced to prioritize one over the other.

For many parents in the study, their roles as teachers seemed to conflict with their parental duties.

The difficulties that educators experienced balancing their roles as parents and teachers could mean a "crisis of care," the study notes, as growing numbers of dual-earner families are unable to afford childcare costs without one parent sacrificing their jobs. Women have historically borne this burden, and emerging research shows the pandemic likely exacerbated it.

"It poses a question of how female educators can be supported better in school settings," said Aaron Leo, lead author of the study and assistant director of research at NYKids.

The study argues that policy could help disrupt the gender norms that perpetuate this trend.

This article was provided by the University at Albany.

WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW

Assassins

Cohoes Music Hall - Now through Sunday, Oct. 30

COHOES — "Assassins," the multiple Tony Award-winning theatrical tour-de-force, has come to the Cohoes Music Hall stage for a run from Thursday, Oct. 13 to Sunday, Oct. 30.

"Assassins" combines Stephen Sondheim's signature blend of intelligently stunning lyrics and beautiful music with a panoramic story of our nation's culture of celebrity and the violent means some will use to obtain it. Assassins lays bare the lives of nine individuals who assassinated or tried to assassinate a President of the United States, in a one-act historical musical that explores the darker side of the American experience.

For tickets and information, visit thecohoesmusichall.org.

Cohoes Music Hall is located at 58 Remsen Street in Cohoes.

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Proctors • October 26

So much of what divides us in the world today evaporates when viewed through the lens of science literacy, and especially when viewed from perspectives derived from knowing the universe. This illustrated talk explores the conflicts embedded within war, politics, religion, law, gender and race, leaving you with a refreshed outlook on life, culture and the future of civilization.

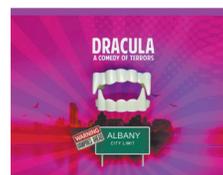


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Ever wondered what would happen if you took Bram Stoker's legendary vampire tale and put in into a blender with the comedy of Mel Brooks, Monty Python and "The 39 Steps"? That's just what happens in this lightning fast, laugh-out-loud 90-minute gender-bending, quick change magical romp.



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"THE TURN OF THE SCREW" WITH SSO

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The Schenectady Symphony Orchestra kicks off this season with another collaboration with Skidmore College. Be pleasantly puzzled and tastefully terrified by Benjamin Britten's Gothic ghost story opera, "The Turn of the Screw"

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From page B1 ... Indian Ladder

Laura manages the farm with her brother, the family's fourth generation on the farm. The land has remained in the family since 1915 when Peter G. Ten Eyck started the farm at the foot of The Helderberg Escarpment. From the apple orchards behind the market, visitors can see the Indian Ladder Trail from which the farm shares its name. Laura's father owns the farm today.

The farm has expanded into various endeavors through the generations. Once a dairy farm, the Ten Eycks adapted to fruit and cattle after a fire in 1949. The fruit became a lucrative business. Their apples were sold wholesale with the cider apples going to the Motts Cider Mill in Voorheesville and its pears to Beechnut Baby Food. The cattle business was discarded nearly 15 years later.

Today, Indian Ladder Farms is one of several destinations across the Capital District that draws families in to take home apples, donuts and cider this time of year. The direct sale to the community has prompted a recent rebranding of an independent certification program, to which the farm has been involved with for years.

"The support and patronage

from the community has been overwhelming since we started pick-your-own apples in late August," she said. "We're looking forward to another successful year and seeing our returning families continue their traditions and fall celebrations."

EcoCertified, certification program under Red Tomato, awards growers who follow the most ecologically-sensitive growing practices available for locally grown tree fruit in the Northeast. It is a community of farmers, scientists, and advisors, whose practices are based on creating an orchard ecosystem that supports pollinators, keeps damaging insects in balance with natural predators, and promotes soil and tree health.

The program was established in the 1990s, following a media campaign against the spraying of daminozide on apple crops. The chemical was used by orchards to keep apples from dropping off the trees before they were ripe. Actress Meryl Streep led the effort to stop its use over fears it could cause cancer.

EcoCertification supports the best ecological farming practices for our region. Growers in the Northeast are longtime leaders in adopting and promoting eco-friendly practices that adapt to growing conditions and climate. The Eco program brings the expertise of scientists and farmers



Visitors can see from where Indian Ladder Farms borrows its name. The shadow of the Helderberg Escarpment falls on the apple orchard. It's easy to see the Thacher Park outlook and the Indian Ladder Trail on the cliffside.

Michael Hallisey / The Spot 518

throughout the region together to maintain a rigorous growing protocol to protect pollinators, promote soil and tree health, and treat orchards as holistic ecosystems.

Most ecological farming practices aren't the same for every locale. Even though the Northeast grows some of the best apples in the world, over 93 percent of certified organic apples sold in the U.S. come from western Washington. The climate in the Eastern U.S. is very different—more rain, more diseases, and over 60 species

of damaging insects—and the national organic standards do not always offer the most sustainable treatments for those conditions. For responsible growers and conscientious eaters in the eastern U.S., EcoCertified offers the best combination of Local + Ecologically grown fruit.

"One of the highlights of being an Upstate New Yorker is our beautiful fall season, with all the cherished traditions that come along with it," said Assemblymember Patricia Fahy. "In the Capital Region, our apple growers aren't just a source of

family fun and memories, but an important driver of economic activity and an anchor of New York's agricultural exports. I want to commend Red Tomato for achieving certification under the Eco-Certified program for their newest orchards, showing a commitment to both delicious produce and our planet. I encourage all New Yorkers to take advantage of this special time of year by joining family or friends to visit one of our many orchards and farms that will open their doors to the public."

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1238 Western Ave., Albany.
518-438-1718

Thurs: **Trivia** | 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The Avalon Lounge

29 Church St, Catskill
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Thurs: **Glenn Echo / Nicomo / Lea Thomas** | 8 p.m.

Fri: **Dust Bowl Faeries / The Dirt Whisperers / The Disappointer Sisters (DJ set)** | 8 p.m.

Bard & Baker**Board Game Cafe Troy**

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Wed: **Looking for Group Night** | 6 p.m.

Thurs: **Pathfinder Society Organized Play** | 11 a.m.

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Fri: **Archtrave and Haley Moley** | 8:30 p.m.

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47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs
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Wed: **Bluegrass Jam With Red Spruce** | 7 p.m.

Thurs: **Pierre Bensusan** | 7 p.m.

Fri: **Gilad Hekselman Trio** | 8 p.m.

Sat: **Jake Blount** | 8 p.m.

Sun: **Maria Gillard Trio** | 7 p.m.

Carson's Woodside Tavern

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Thurs: **Jeff Walton** | 5 p.m.

Fri: **Bobby Dick & Susie Q** | 5 p.m.

Sat: **Jackslam** | 5 p.m.

Sun: **The Ultimates** | 2 p.m.

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58 Remsen St., Cohoes
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Thurs: **Assassins** | 8 p.m.

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Fri: **Limón Dance Company** | 8 p.m..

Sat: **Motown Memories** | 7:30 p.m.

Sat: **Brian Regan** | 8 p.m.

Emack & Bolio's

366 Delaware Ave., Albany
518-512-5100

Empire Live/Underground

93 North Pearl St., Albany
866-468-3399

Thurs: **Slothrust** | 7 p.m.

Fri: **The Clay People** | 7:30 p.m.

Sat: **Riot Ten: Hype Or Die Tour** | 7 p.m.

Empire State Plaza

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518-474-2418

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Thurs: **Virgil Cain** | 7 p.m.

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518-992-6434

Funny Bone

1 Crossgates Mall Rd #K-206, Albany
518-313-7484.

Wed: **Jim Florentine** | 7 p.m.

Thurs: **Corey Holcomb** | 7:30 p.m.

Sun: **Majah Hype** | 7 p.m.

Gaffney's

16 Caroline St., Saratoga Springs
518-587-7359

Grappa '72

818 Central Ave., Albany
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Thurs: **The Hamilton Street Jazz Trio**

| 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Fri: **Earl Davis with Peg & Bill Delaney**

| 5:30-8:30 p.m.

The Hangar on the Hudson

675 River St., Troy
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The Hollow Bar + Kitchen

79 North Pearl St., Albany
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Fri: **The Joy Formidable** | 8 p.m.

Lark Hall

351 Hudson Ave, Albany

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Thurs: **Popa Chubby** | 8 p.m.

Fri: **Ghost Light** | 8 p.m.

Sat: **The Deadbeats** | 9 p.m.

Sun: **Michigan Rattlers** | 8 p.m.

The Linda

339 Central Ave, Albany
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Fri: **Della Mae** | 8 p.m.

Sun: **Slaid Cleaves** | 7 p.m.

McGeary's Irish Pub

4 Clinton Square, Albany
518-463-1455

Tues: **Trivia Night** | 7 p.m.

Nashville Of Saratoga

39 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs
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Wed: **Karaoke** | 8 p.m.

Thurs: **Triple Threat Thursday** | 8 p.m.

Fri: **Gianna Trio** | 9 p.m.

Sat: **Marcus Ruggerio** | 9 p.m.

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The Night Owl

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Thurs: **Cookout** | 7 p.m.

Fri: **Fireside Fridays** | 8 p.m.

Sat: **Supper Club Saturdays** | 6 p.m.

Olde English Pub

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The Palace Theatre

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Sat: **The Music of Boston & Journey**

| 8 p.m.

Panza's

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Thurs: **The Nick Horace Duo** | 6 p.m.

Fri: **Valerie DeLaCruz & Wayne**

Hawkins | 6:30 p.m.

Sat: **Christine Spero Duo** | 6:30 p.m.

Sun: **Sinatra & Friends** | 5:30 p.m.

Parish Public House

388 Broadway, Albany
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Wed: **Celtic Session** | 7 p.m.

The Parting Glass

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Paulys Hotel

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Fri: **Laura Leigh Band** | 8 p.m.

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Thurs: **Karaoke** | 9 p.m.

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Tues: **Trivia** | 8 p.m.

Sand Lake Center for the Arts

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SPAC

Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs
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Troy Savings Bank Music Hall

30 Second St., Troy
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Thurs: **Fortune Feimster** | 7 p.m.

Sun: **I Dream a World** | 3 p.m.

Vapor

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Van Slyck's

Rivers Casino & Resort
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Thurs: **The High Rollers** | 8 p.m.

Fri: **DJ Tomb** | 8 p.m.

Sat: **Nine Deeeze Nite** | 8 p.m.

Waterworks Pub

76 Central Ave., Albany
518-465-9079

Fri: **Friday Night Dancing & Karaoke** | 10 p.m.-4 a.m.

Sat: **Saturday Night Dancing & Drag** | 10 p.m.-4 a.m.

Wicked

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Wishing Well Restaurant

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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 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.

THEATRE

Assassins

A multiple Tony Award-winning theatrical tour-de-force, Assassins combines Stephen Sondheim's signature blend of intelligently stunning lyrics and beautiful music with a panoramic story of our nation's culture of celebrity and the violent means some will use to obtain it. Assassins lays bare the lives of nine individuals

who assassinated or tried to assassinate a President of the United States, in a one-act historical musical that explores the darker side of the American experience. From John Wilkes Booth to Lee Harvey Oswald, writers, Stephen Sondheim and John Weidman, take us on a nightmarish roller coaster ride in which assassins and would-be assassins from different historical periods meet, interact and inspire each other to harrowing acts in the name of the American Dream. This show runs from October 13th through the 30th. Thursday, Friday & Saturday at 8 p.m. Saturday & Sunday At 2 p.m. Join us only at Cohoes Music Hall, 58 Remsen Street-Cohoes.

Disney's Aladdin

Discover a whole new world at Disney's ALADDIN, the hit Broadway musical. From the producer of The Lion King comes the timeless story of ALADDIN, a thrilling new production filled with unforgettable beauty, magic, comedy and breathtaking spectacle. It's an extraordinary theatrical event where one lamp and three wishes make the possibilities infinite. Hailed by USA Today as "Pure Genie-Us," ALADDIN features all your favorite songs from the film as well as new music written by Tony® and Academy Award® winner Alan Menken (Newsies) with lyrics penned by the legendary Howard Ashman (Beauty and the Beast), Tony Award winner Tim Rice (The Lion King, Aida), and book writer Chad Beguelin (The Wedding Singer). Directed and choreographed by Tony Award winner Casey Nicholaw (The Book of Mormon, Something Rotten!), this "Fabulous" and "Extravagant" (The New YorkTimes) new musical boasts an incomparable design team, with sets, costumes and lighting from Tony Award winners Bob Crowley

(Mary Poppins), Gregg Barnes (Kinky Boots), and Natasha Katz (An American in Paris). See why audiences and critics agree, ALADDIN is "Exactly What You Wish For!" (NBC-TV). Catch this on going show that's running until October 23rd. For showtimes please visit proctors.org

Disney Junior Live On Tour

The Pollstar nominated Disney Junior tour is back with an ALL-NEW show, Disney Junior Live On Tour: Costume Palooza! This show brings beloved Disney Junior characters and favorite Marvel Super Heroes together live on stage for a jam-packed, concert-style show with singing, dancing, acrobatics, and more. It will feature favorite songs from hit Disney Junior series, as well as new original music. Mickey, Minnie, and their pals are getting ready to throw a huge costume party but mysterious green rain, wind, and smoke keep interrupting the fun. Can Spidey and his Amazing Friends help save the Costume Palooza? Come join the party! Disney Junior Live on Tour: Costume Palooza debuts on September 2 and will visit 80 North American cities. Come see Mickey, Minnie, Goofy, Doc McStuffins, Alice, the Puppy Dog Pals, and Marvel's Spidey and his Amazing Friends LIVE on stage! You can catch this live October 23rd at 4 p.m. only at The Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave, Albany.

COMEDY

Brian Regan

Critics, fans and fellow comedians agree: Brian Regan is one of the most respected comedians in the country with Vanity Fair calling Brian, "The funniest stand-up alive," and Entertainment Weekly calling him, "Your favorite comedian's favorite comedian." Having built his 30-plus year career on the strength of his material

alone, Brian's non-stop theater tour continuously fills the most beautiful venues across North America, visiting close to 100 cities each year. Brian co-stars in Peter Farrelly's TV series, Loudermilk, which premiered its third season on April 27, 2021, streaming on Amazon Prime. Farrelly personally cast Brian in the series alongside Ron Livingston, Anja Savvic, Will Sasso and Mat Fraser. Brian is receiving praise for his portrayal of "Mugsy," a recovering addict who is estranged from his family. The first two seasons of Loudermilk originally aired on AT&T's Audience Network and moved to Amazon Prime on March 12, 2021. Catch this show October 22nd at 8 p.m. with a second show on Saturday. Only at The Egg, Agency Building 1, S Mall Arterial, Albany.

Jim Florentine

Florentine has made dozens of appearances on the Howard Stern Show. His two Crank Yankers characters on Comedy Central, "Special Ed" and "Bobby Fletcher" have become cult stars. Jim appeared as "Special Ed" along with International megastar Eminem to present an award at the 2003 MTV Music Awards and has achieved headline status at comedy clubs throughout the country, numerous commercials, and even two top selling comedic albums. You can catch this show October 19th at 7:30 p.m. only at The Funny Bone, 1 Crossgates Mall Rd #K-206, Albany.

Corey Holcomb

Going from hanging in the hood to performing comedy on Jay Leno's "Tonight Show," not to mention the privilege of afterward being invited to take a seat on the "couch" which not many comics are asked to do, has been a long and fulfilling journey. Corey hit his first open mic

in 1992 when Adele Givens called him to the stage. He was a smashing success and has been a full-time comedian ever since. He has taken top honors at the Miller Genuine Draft Comedy Search, Budweiser Comedy Competition, Chicago Home Jam, and Laffapalooza. He has appeared at the Montreal Just for Laughs Festival and the Chicago Comedy Festival. Corey's comedy genius transcends class and racial divides. If you understand English, Corey's humor will tickle your funny bone. People all over the world can relate to the drama of trying to make a relationship work. According to Corey, a "hunter" (man) being captured by his "prey" (woman) makes for the best comedy ever. Corey offers plenty of advice on how men who have been the victim of a "hostile takeover" by the female in the relationship can take back control. You can believe there is no counselor on the planet who offers the kind of relationship advice and remedies Corey dispenses from the stage. You can catch this show October 20th at 7 p.m. only at The Funny Bone, 1 Crossgates Mall Rd #K-206, Albany.

Majah Hype

Passions for building communities and creating strong representations of Caribbean descendants in mainstream culture are what give comedian Majah Hype his secret sauce. Beginning in 2012, the raspy-voiced funnyman known to his adoring fans as "the Caribbean King of Comedy" took social media by storm with his brand of humor he calls "reality comedy:" producing and starring in sketches online featuring impersonations of characters that poke fun at various stereotypes associated with Caribbean, Latin and African-American cultures. As a stand-up comedian, Majah impro-

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vises his routines: delivering unscripted punchlines around everyday experiences that connect Afro-Caribbean people. Majah was always destined to entertain crowds and bring joy to diverse audiences. Born Nigel Joseph in the Caribbean, Majah grew up the oldest of three children with his mother in Brooklyn, N.Y. The diligent entertainer synonymous with mimicking Caribbean accents honed his chops winning his family's holiday talent shows either telling jokes or playing seven instruments: mainly the alto saxophone, clarinet and trombone. Any other time, Majah was taking his inspiration for making people laugh by studying Redd Foxx on "Sanford & Son," Jamaican comic Oliver Samuels, Richard Pryor, Martin Lawrence, Jerry Seinfeld and Eddie Murphy. You can catch this show October 23th at 7 p.m. only at The Funny Bone, 1 Crossgates Mall Rd #K-206, Albany.

MISCELLANEOUS

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MUSIC

Matt Niedbalski Quartet
Matt Niedbalski is a drummer known for bringing musicality and energy to the bandstand. Born and raised in New York's Capital District, Matt was exposed to music at a very early age. While in high school he took private drum lessons with drummer/author Ted Mackenzie and participated in the Empire State Youth Orchestra as well as the Skidmore Jazz Institute. In 2016 Matt graduated from William Paterson's Jazz Studies Program. Since graduating Matt has remained active in both the Albany jazz scene and New York City. He has been featured on numerous recordings including "People and Places" by the Sam Javitch Quartet featuring Rich Perry, "What We Learn From the Trees" by the Giroux Brothers and "Tales" by Charles Cornell. Matt actively performs with Nate and Tyler Giroux, the Dylan Perrillo Orchestra, Keith Pray and Charles Cornell. In addition to his performance schedule, Matt teaches



HOT DATE

SOCK OUT CANCER!

Listen to the music of Boston and Journey in a special fundraiser to Sock Out Cancer at The Palace Theatre on Saturday, Oct. 22.

privately and has taught drum classes for younger musicians. Catch the show October 21st at 8 p.m. only at 9 Maple Ave.

Out of the Box

Out of the Box looks forward to their return to 9 Maple, bringing their version of straight up jazz, seasoned with a bit of funk and plenty of groove to put a smile on your face. Selected winner of the Albany Downtown Jazz Competition

in 2011, they have been a staple of the greater Capital Region music scene for the past decade. The core trio of Larry Gravett on keyboards and vocals, Michael Hurt on bass and Gary Nowik on drums, have worked together for many years. Saxophonist extraordinaire, John Savage, will join the trio for a night of jazz in all its forms. Don't be afraid to leave your seat and move your feet! Catch the show October 22nd at 8 p.m. only at 9 Maple Ave.

Glenn Echo / Nicomo / Lea Thomas

Glenn Echo, Back in 2015, Matt Gaydar decided to put his best foot forward under the moniker Glenn Echo, a nod to the street he grew up on. After studying classical composition in college, he learned to appreciate the use of orchestral instruments within indie rock and experimental music. He then left town to live in Nashville, TN and Northampton, MA for a handful of years where he began reimagining his song sketches as something much bigger. Ultimately teaming up with engineer/producer Peter Brownlee to record an album out in 2021 called Fixed Memory. Lea Thomas, "One hand on the wheel- honey can we stay so free?" The lush opener of Lea Thomas's latest, Mirrors to the Sun, unfolds with shimmering guitar arrangements and a soft chorus of horns. Her voice is unwavering-- wide-eyed yet at ease, ready to meet all that lies ahead. Blending personal narrative with universal observations of both the mundane and mystical, Thomas "creates worlds with her words" (American Songwriter). Seamlessly shifting between focused calm and propulsive explorations, the Hawaii-born, Hudson Valley-based songwriter guides her band with intention, conjuring whispers of each season within

her dynamic reflections on transformation and self-discovery. Her songs have been called "hypnotic" and "empowering" and garnered praise from NPR's All Songs Considered, The Guardian, and more. Nicomo is a shot in the dark parallel park, a hole-in-one-in-a-million, needle in a full-stack flapjack of syrupy vocal lines and buttery fingerpick guitar. Songs on your shoulder, impressionistic folk and strolling waves, shadows and conversations misunderstood. Nicomo is the songwriting project of Nico Osborne, Brooklyn-based musician and sound artist. Antiquated Future Records calls their first EP Views "An early-morning hangout album meets complex after-dark mood music." Nicomo is working on an LP now, exploring brighter colors and tighter turns. Catch the show October 20th at 8 p.m. only at Avalon Lounge, 29 Church St. Catskill.

Dust Bowl Faeries / The Dirt Whisperers / The Disappointer Sisters (DJ set)

Dust Bowl Faeries are Americana by way of pagan cabaret, A faerie-tale fusion of dark cabaret, gothic polka and post-punk music, Dust Bowl Faeries is a dark-carnival band from the New York Hudson Valley. The band's eclectic repertoire of songs draw inspiration from circus songs, murder ballads and Eastern European folk tunes. Accordion, singing saw, acoustic guitar, lap-steel, bass and percussion combine to create the Dust Bowl Faeries otherworldly sound. The band was founded by Ryder Cooley (faerie queen) and her taxidermy spirit animal, Hazel the Ram. Ryder and Hazel are joined by Jon B. Woodin (rocket faerie), Liz LoGiudice (river faerie), Andrew Stein (time faerie) & Rubie LaRue (feisty faerie). Dust Bowl Faeries released their

second album, The Plague Garden, in 2020. They previously released two EPs with producer Floyd Fisher, and a self-titled album, produced by music critic Seth Rogovoy, featuring Tommy Stinson (Replacements) & Melora Creager (Rasputina). Their forthcoming 2022 EP features harpist Mikaela Davis. The Dirt Whisperers are Eric Simons on guitar and vocals and Bradford Reed on pencilina and drums. Simons has played with Ladybug Mecca of Digable Planets, Brian Jackson of Gil Scott Heron, The Dukes of Brooklyn, Tractor Supply and Revel in Dimes. A Kansas native, Eric is heavily influenced by his home state's blues, country, gospel and early jazz, but his style can sound as rooted in the Mississippi Delta as anywhere else. Bradford Reed's pencilina, his own invention, is an electric ten-stringed collision of the hammer dulcimer, slide guitar, koto and fretless bass. Reed, born in NYC, played with King Missile III (and produced 4 of their records) and in the original band of The Blue Man Group as well as Satellite and the Harpoonist. Reed has also scored numerous films and TV shows, including Superjail! on Adult Swim and Ugly Americans on Comedy Central. The music of The Dirt Whisperers is grounded in traditional blues and classic soul, but it traverses many genres, adding in touches of gospel and Americana, while never losing track of good old American rock and roll. Eric's guitar can growl or whisper or even call on the steely sounds of a National Resonator. Both drums and bass are simultaneously covered by Bradford on a minimal drum kit and the pencilina which constantly adds in unexpected tones and textures that are often difficult to explain. There might be a bow tantalizing the strings or harmonics ringing from the sticks, which act as movable bridges, riding the strings

HOROSCOPES

**October 2022
Week 3**

ARIES - MAR 21/APR 20
Aries, maintain your alignment with your dreams and tap into your warrior instinct if you come up against a significant obstacle later in the week.

TAURUS - APR 21/MAY 21
Taurus, you're naturally good at juggling many different tasks simultaneously. Don't be surprised if someone recognizes this and give you a few projects to handle.

GEMINI - MAY 22/JUN 21
The theme of this week is "opposites" for you, Gemini. If you're a normally tidy person, you'll leave a mess behind. If you are prompt, you will arrive late. It could be refreshing.

CANCER - JUN 22/JUL 22
This week there will be a great deal of pressure on you, Cancer. Try to remain as calm as possible while ticking off the boxes on your to-do list. Ask for help if you need it.

LEO - JUL 23/AUG 23
Your leadership skills will be on display this week, Leo. People at work and at home will call on you to make decisions and guide them through various situations.

VIRGO - AUG 24/SEPT 22
Virgo, this week you could come up with a new plan to make a big difference in the world. It may start with an assignment at work or be inspired by volunteering.

LIBRA - SEPT 23/OCT 23
Libra, try to learn as much about the people around you as possible. They may share strategies that can affect your life in many positive ways. Start asking the right questions.

SCORPIO - OCT 24/NOV 22
You may need to brush up on your charm skills, Scorpio. Sometimes you come at people at full force. You could benefit from employing a more slow and steady approach.

SAGITTARIUS - NOV 23/DEC 21
Sometimes you can be naturally shy and quiet, Sagittarius. This week show others what lies beneath that quiet surface. Use your voice and get others excited about your thoughts.

CAPRICORN - DEC 22/JAN 20
Try not to hide in the shadows this week, Capricorn. This is your time to be in the spotlight and show others what you are made of. A spark will inspire you to act.

AQUARIUS - JAN 21/FEB 18
Getting back into the swing of things after time away can take a little while, Aquarius. You may have forgotten some steps or feel out of practice. Don't be too hard on yourself.

PISCES - FEB 19/MAR 20
You're used to dealing with situations as they arise, Pisces. Plan ahead for what you anticipate will come along this week.

like a ship on the high seas. While the collaboration of Simons and Reed may seem experimental (and it can be!), The Dirt Whisperers pride themselves on singing and playing melodies that will hook your eardrums while their beats get your ass shaking. Dance party after by the Disapointer Sisters. Catch the show October 21st at 8 p.m. only at Avalon Lounge, 29 Church St. Catskill.

Architrave and Haley Moley

Jennifer Maher Coleman and Paul Coleman helm both the electronic-beats-driven dark-wave project Architrave and the five-piece synth-rock band Haley Moley. For the first time both bands share the stage together at Brown's Troy Taproom, bringing a wide range of styles and wall-to-wall danceable, anthemic tunes. Catch this show October 21st at 8:30 p.m. only at Brown's Troy Taproom And Brewery, 417 River Street, Troy.

Pierre Bensusan

After releasing 'Azwan', an album about our oneness and interconnectivity in the midst of a unifying global crisis, French-Algerian guitarist, vocalist and composer, Pierre Bensusan, returns to the USA & Canada for completing the second leg of his nationwide 2022 Tour. French-Algerian acoustic guitar virtuoso, vocalist, and composer Pierre Bensusan, surnamed "Mister DADGAD," has taken his unique sound to all corners of the globe. The originality of his style makes him one of today's greatest guitarists and composers. Born in French Algeria, his almost sacred music is an intimate and orchestral hymn. His concerts are rejuvenating with notes and melodies that appeal directly to the tender side of our human nature. Catch this show October 20th at 7 p.m. only at Caffè Lena, 47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs.

Gilad Hekselman Trio

Only a few years after his arrival to NY in 2004, this native Israeli was already sharing stages with some of the greatest artists in the New York City jazz scene. He has since been a regular at all the major jazz clubs in the city including the Village Vanguard, the Blue Note, The Jazz Standard, Dizzy's Club and Smalls. He has also performed at the most noteworthy jazz festivals and venues around the world Montreux, North Sea, Montreal & SFJazz to name a few. Hekselman has released 9 critically-acclaimed records as a band-leader, many of which have made it into 'best of the year' lists on NY Times, Downbeat Magazine, Amazon, All About Jazz and many other publications. His 10th record, Far Star, was released on Edition Records in May 2022. It's an all-original album in which Hekselman plays many instruments, and it features special guests such as Eric Harland, Shai Maestro, Ziv Ravitz and more. Tonight Gilad will be joined by Joe Martin on bass and Joe Dyson on drums. Catch this show October 21st at 8 p.m. only at Caffè Lena, 47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs.

Jake Blount

Jake Blount is an award-winning musician and scholar based in Providence, RI. He is half of the internationally touring duo Tui, a 2020 recipient of the Steve Martin Banjo Prize, and a two-time winner of the Appalachian String Band Music Festival (better known as Clifftop). Blount has performed at the Kennedy Center, the Newport Folk Festival, and numerous other venues across and beyond the United States. He has presented his scholarly work at museums and universities including the Smithsonian Institution, Berklee College of Music and Yale University. His writing has appeared

in Paste Magazine, No Depression, and NPR, and he has been a guest on Radiolab and Soundcheck. His first solo album, Spider Tales, debuted at #2 on the Billboard Bluegrass Chart, received positive coverage from NPR, Rolling Stone and Billboard among others, and earned five out of five stars as The Guardian's Folk Album of the Month. Spider Tales later appeared on "Best of 2020" lists from NPR, Bandcamp, The New Yorker, the Guardian, and elsewhere. His new album, The New Faith, is slated for release on Smithsonian Folkways Recordings on Sept. 23, 2022. Catch this show October 22nd at 8 p.m. only at Caffè Lena, 47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs.

Maria Gillard Trio

Maria writes songs that soothe and comfort beleaguered spirits, and when she invites us to sing along, as she frequently does, we're all lifted higher. A Maria Gillard performance is not just great music, it's restoration. Perry Cleaveland, virtuoso on mandolin and fiddle, and Douglas Henrie, Upright Bass man extraordinaire, add both an intimate and driving musical background to her heartfelt original songs. The trio ignites the room! Catch this show October 23rd at 7 p.m. only at Caffè Lena, 47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs.

Jeff Walton

Based out of Saratoga Springs, NY, singer/songwriter Jeff Walton is always busy recording or performing. His rock solid rhythm guitar, amazing harmonica leads and vocal style all his own make this "one man band" a true crowd pleaser. Though a great songwriter in his own right, an extensive repertoire and appreciation for requests make for good times and interactive performances. You can catch this show October 20th at 5 p.m. only at

Carson's Woodside Tavern 57 Route 9P, Malta.

Slothrust

Forging a muscular sound out of contrasting sonic vistas that include pop hooks, theatrical melodies, jazz-influenced chord voicings, rock rhythms, and sludgy guitars, Slothrust ("sloth-rust") offer a unique spin on the angsty sounds of the '90s. Led by singer/songwriter/guitarist Leah Wellbaum, the group's label debut, 2014's Of Course You Do, included a track that was adopted as the theme song to the FX series You're the Worst. They continued to build and expand their sound with ambitious releases like The Pact and 2021's Parallel Timeline. Formed by guitarist Leah Wellbaum, bass player Kyle Bann, and drummer Will Gorin, who met as music students at Sarah Lawrence College in the late 2000s, Slothrust self-released the four-song EP The Demo(n)s in 2010. Already establishing an alt-rock-inspired sound with their trademark mix of outré components, they followed it a year later with Live @ Southpaw. By then based in Brooklyn, New York, the band's first full-length studio LP, Feels Your Pain, was released in 2012. Two years later, Ba Da Bing Records and Burger Records issued their sophomore LP, Of Course You Do. The single "7:30 AM" became the theme for the FX network comedy-drama You're the Worst, which also debuted in 2014. This can all be seen October 20th at 8 p.m. only at Empire Underground 93 North Pearl Street, Albany.

The Clay People

Hailing from Albany, NY, the technorock outfit the Clay People originally formed in 1989. Although many different members have passed through their ranks throughout the years, two constant members have been vocalist Dan

Neet and guitarist Dan McGarvey. Over the course of five albums, the band has evolved from a sequencer-based band to a more conventionally rock-based one, but without sacrificing any of their heavy, aggressive techno sound. Settling on a lineup that consists of Neet and McGarvey along with drummer Dan Dinsmore, second guitarist Mike Guzzardi, and bassist Dan Walsh, the group signed to Slipdisc Records, an affiliate of Mercury. 1998 saw the release of their self-titled album, which was produced by Neil Kernon (who has worked in the past with the likes of David Bowie and Queensryche). Catch the show October 21st at 8 p.m. only at Empire Underground 93 North Pearl Street, Albany.

Riot Ten

Born and raised in Texas, RIOT TEN, at the age of 22, exploded into the world of electronic music with his unique blend of dubstep, hard-trap, and electro. Signed to Dim Mak Records, in addition to having music out on Rottun Records, Bassrush, and Buygore, as well as three #1 top 100 dubstep chart topping singles, Riot Ten's music is heard at clubs and festivals around the world from the likes of DJ Snake, Excision, Zeds Dead, Steve Aoki, The Chainsmokers, and more. His 2017 single "Fuck It", a collab with fellow producer Sullivan King, saw #1 on the dubstep charts for 2 consecutive months. The song then became a staple on The Chainsmokers "Memories Do Not Open" world tour in 2017. This ultimately paved the way for his global smash "Rail Breaker", which became the dubstep anthem of 2017 and 2018 and one of the most played out records of the year. The single has been heavily supported by Excision, Borgore, Flosstradamus, Snails, Kayzo, Ghastly, Kill The Noise, Slander, SKiS, and many more. Following the release of

"Rail Breaker", Riot Ten dropped his debut EP with DIM MAK called "Hype Or Die: The Dead" in February of 2018, which recorded a top 10 debut on the iTunes "dance album" charts, a feat that is seldom seen by an artist in the genre. Riot Ten went on to make appearances at some of the most high profile festivals in North America, including Nocturnal Wonderland, Electric Zoo, Lost Lands, Sunset Music Festival, Global Dance Festival, Bass Canyon and more. This can all be seen October 22nd at 8 p.m. only at Empire Underground 93 North Pearl Street, Albany.

The Joy Formidable

The discography of Welsh alternative rock band the Joy Formidable consists of three studio albums, one live album, three extended plays and 15 singles. Their debut extended play, A Balloon Called Moaning, was released in December 2008, followed by their debut studio album, The Big Roar, in January 2011, which reached No. 31 on the UK Albums Chart, and produced the singles "Whirring" and "A Heavy Abacus", which reached No. 7 and No. 25 on the US Alternative Songs Chart, respectively. Their second studio album, Wolf's Law, was released in January 2013 and reached No. 41 and No. 51 on the UK Albums Chart and the US Billboard 200, respectively. Their third studio album, Hitch was released in March 2016. Their fourth studio album, AAARTH, was released on 28 September 2018. You can catch this show October 21st at 8 p.m. only at The Hollow, 79 N Pearl St Albany.

Popa Chubby

Popa Chubby, born Ted Horowitz, has been hard rocking the blues in his fierce and soulful way for more than 30 years. Over the course of a career that dates back to 1994, he has been a force of to be reckoned with on the guitar, and his

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tempestuous, soulful playing has never been more powerful. An imposing figure with a shaven head, tattooed arms, a goatee and a performance style he describes as “the Stooges meets Buddy Guy, Motörhead meets Muddy Waters, and Jimi Hendrix meets Robert Johnson,” Pops Chubby is an endearing character who is one of the genre’s most popular figures. His career has always been about moving forward and carving a place for himself in the imposing terrain of the music business, overcoming odds to continue growing and maturing as a creative force. He has built a constantly increasing base of fans across the world, where in many territories he is a star. A native New Yorker, Horowitz’s first gigs were in the NYC punk scene as a guitarist for what he reflects was a “crazy Japanese special effects performance artist in a kimono called Screaming Mad George who had a horror-movie inspired show.” Right from the start he was immersed in rock ‘n’ roll as theater, and learned from George and others playing CBGB’s at the time that included the Ramones, the Cramps, Richard Hell, whose band, the Voidoids he joined that rock ‘n’ roll should be dangerous. He reflects, “Musicians like the Ramones and the Sex Pistols weren’t just bands. They were a threat to society.” Catch this show on October 20th at 8 p.m. only at the Lark Hall 351 Hudson Avenue, Albany.

Ghost Light

I think of this album like a bunch of abstract paintings,” says Ghost Light’s Tom Hamilton. “We present the songs as a series meant to be experienced in a certain order, but at the end of the day, whatever that series makes you feel is totally up to you.” In that sense, Ghost Light’s brilliant debut album, ‘Best Kept Secrets,’ functions much like the band

itself, drawing beauty and strength from both its complementary pairings and its unexpected juxtapositions. Formed in 2017, the group brings together five consummately talented artists from across the musical spectrum—guitarists/singers Tom Hamilton and Raina Mullen, pianist Holly Bowling, bassist Dan Africano, and drummer Scotty Zwang—and thrusts them into a wholly new context. The result is a record that transcends the sonic contributions and background of any single member, a collection that’s at once gritty and refined, sprawling and restrained, straightforward and psychedelic. Catch this show on October 21st at 7:30 only at the Lark Hall 351 Hudson Avenue, Albany.

The Deadbeats

The Deadbeats are a five piece Grateful Dead Tribute act with a history of over 25 years together. They are based out of NY’s Capital Region and have played thousands of shows along the East Coast, from Canada to Key West. 2020 marks the beginning of the five piece band. With the addition of rhythm guitar, the band is poised to go even deeper into the Grateful archive and be able to pull out even more of that classic sound the Grateful Dead catalog emanates. Saratoga Living Magazine ranked them in the Top Five Local Tribute acts of 2019. They were voted Best Jam Band of 2017 in The Capital Region of NY, and they took second place for Best Cover Band and Best Tribute Band. Longtime members Mike Johnson, Denise Parent and Brian Miller have kept the band together for almost three decades, and they have not missed a beat. Brian Mangini (Ominous Seapods, Raisinhead, Moepods) and Dan Gerken (Groovestick, Timbre Coup) add some incredible rhythm and color to the



HOT DATE

TRIVIA NIGHT!

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band’s tapestry of sound. After 27 years, the band is still rockin the music of The Grateful Dead, JGB, Phish, The Beatles, Bob Dylan, The Band, Aretha Franklin, Bob Marley, Janis Joplin and so much more. Currently The Deadbeats play in Kingston and Albany regularly, and can also be found playing all around NY’s Hudson Valley and Capital Region. Their Grateful Dead/Phish inspired shows are a celebration of improvisational, jamming

rock & roll. As a result of playing over a quarter of a century together, they have amassed a large and loyal following of fans who appreciate the open ended, participatory nature of their performances. Working without a net, their set lists, arrangements, and jams are all left open to the inspiration of the particular moment, drawing in the crowd as active participants in the creative process rather than just spectators. It is a unique experience and it has been this commitment to these musical and philosophical ideals that has set The Deadbeats apart. The Deadbeats have an inexhaustible repertoire, and they are always adding more songs to the 300 plus catalog. They are actually able to please most of the people most of the time. Catch this show on October 22nd at 9 p.m. only at the Lark Hall 351 Hudson Avenue, Albany.

Michigan Rattlers

Lifelong friends and deep-north natives, Michigan Rattlers play heavy-hearted folk-rock with an aching dose of Mid-western nice. Graham Young (lead vocals/guitar), Adam Reed (vocals/upright bass), Christian Wilder (vocals/piano) and Tony Audia (drums) began writing music and performing together in their Northern Michigan high school. They regularly played every bar, cafe, and stage in town, developing a musical chemistry informed by the likes of AC/DC, Creedence Clearwater Revival, Bob Seger, and more. After a few years apart, Reed and Young settled down in Los Angeles, recorded a short demo, and began playing locally. The demo found its way in the hands of super-producer Johnny K, and they cut the bulk of their first EP at NRG studios in just one day. This self-titled Michigan Rattlers EP attracted glowing reviews from No Depression, Bluegrass Situation,

Relix, Glide, Grammy.com and more. Rolling Stone named the band one of their “Ten New Country Artists You Need To Know.” In 2018, following a massive summer tour that included stops at Bonnaroo, Firefly and Electric Forest; the band released their highly anticipated debut full length album, Evergreen, and added pianist Christian Wilder and drummer Tony Audia to their lineup. The Michigan Rattlers are currently in the studio recording their second full length album in between tour dates. Catch this show on October 23rd at 8 p.m. only at the Lark Hall 351 Hudson Avenue, Albany.

Della Mae

Della Mae is a GRAMMY-nominated, all-women string band made up of founder and fiddle player Kimber Ludiker, lead vocalist/guitarist Celia Woodsmith, guitarist Avril Smith, bassist Vickie Vaughn, and mandolinist Maddie Witler. Hailing from across North America, and reared in diverse musical styles, they are one of the most charismatic and engaging roots bands touring today. They have traveled to over 30 countries spreading peace and understanding through music. Their mission as a band is to showcase top female musicians, and to improve opportunities for women and girls through advocacy, mentorship, programming, and performance. You can catch this show October 21st at 8 p.m. The Linda WAMC’s Performing Arts Studio, 339 Central Avenue, Albany.

Slaid Cleaves

Slaid Cleaves grew up in Maine. Lives in Texas. Writes songs. Makes records. Travels around. Tries to be good. Joseph Hudak of Rolling Stone calls Cleaves “a master storyteller, one influenced not by the shine of pop culture but by the dirt of real life.” Now twenty-five years into his

storied career, Cleaves’ songwriting has never been more potent than on his latest album Ghost on the Car Radio (2017). Described as “terse, clear and heartfelt” (NPR Fresh Air), his songs speak to timeless truths. “I’m not an innovator. I’m more of a keeper of the flame,” he says. The New York Daily News called his music “a treasure hidden in plain sight,” while the Austin Chronicle declared, “there are few contemporaries that compare. He’s become a master craftsman on the order of Guy Clark and John Prine.” You can catch this show October 23rd at 7 p.m. The Linda WAMC’s Performing Arts Studio, 339 Central Avenue, Albany.

The Music of Boston & Journey

Sock Out Cancer® proudly presents a benefit concert with the Classic Rock Voices of Fran Cosmo, formerly of Boston and Steve Augeri, formerly of Journey. These two powerhouse performers will bring the audience to their feet with the many classic time-honored songs we have all come to know and enjoy, whether you know the lyrics to sing along, or want to dance, this concert will be electrifying from the moment they take the stage. Fran Cosmo, formerly of Boston, one of the biggest bands for the 70s. The self-titled debut album sold more than 25 million copies worldwide. Steve Augeri, formerly of Journey, once of the greatest classic rock bands of all time. Since 1975, they have produced 23 albums and 43 singles and an astonishing over 75 million worldwide in album sales. Sock Out Cancer® is a nonprofit initiative that aids financially distressed families so they can put all their energy into fighting cancer. To learn more about Sock Out Cancer, please visit SockOutCancer.org and the Sock Out Cancer Facebook page. Join us October 22nd at 8 p.m. only at The Palace

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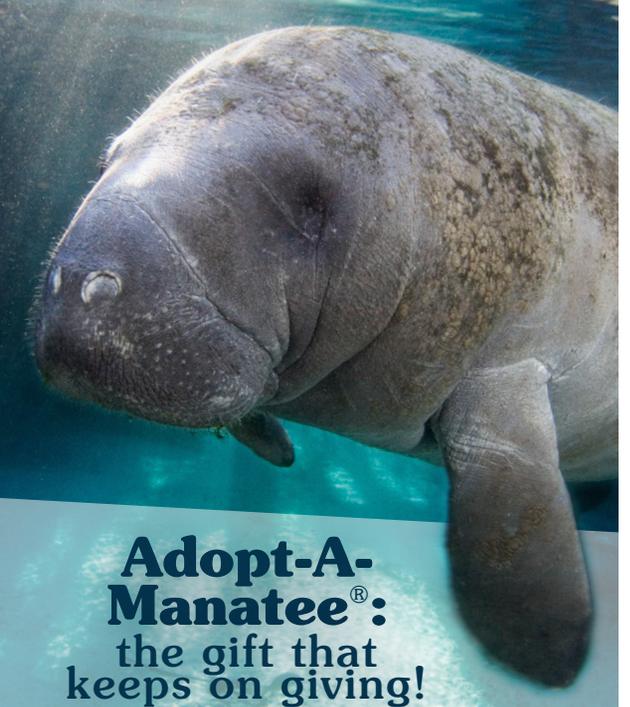


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■ FOOD and VINO

It's a pumpkin pie, apple salad world

Beginning in early fall, pumpkins begin to arrive at farmer's markets, supermarkets, nurseries, and fall harvest festivals.

Pumpkins are versatile in that they make colorful fall home decorations, but also can be utilized in all sorts of recipes. In fact, pumpkins are a type of winter squash.

According to the gardening resource Gardener's Path, although most pumpkin cultivars are edible, the big pumpkins carved into jack-o-lanterns for Halloween tend to be pretty bland, watery and stringy. They've been hybridized to produce a large Halloween-friendly shape, not for flavor. Those traits are not ideal for a delicious pumpkin pie or pumpkin chocolate chip oatmeal cookies.

The best pumpkins for purees used in recipes are those that were specially cultivated for cooking. When shopping for pumpkins for your next recipe (if you're opting for fresh, rather than canned puree), select from Cinderella, Baby Bear, Early Sweet Sugar Pie, Dickinson, Jarrahdale, Galeux d'Ésines, Orange, Smoothie, Small Sugar, among others

Once you've selected your perfect cooking pumpkins, it's time to whip up a pumpkin pie. Enjoy this recipe, courtesy of McCormick, which can be served anytime from Halloween through Christmas.

Classic Pumpkin Pie

INGREDIENTS: Serves 8

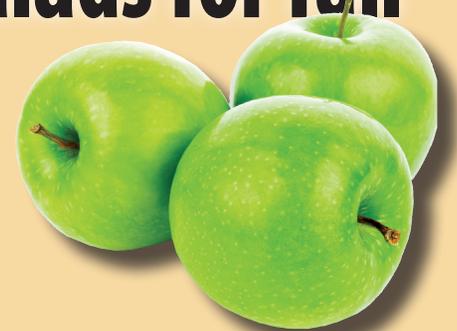
- Pastry for 9-inch pie crust*
- 2 eggs, well beaten
- 1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 2 teaspoons McCormick® Pumpkin Pie Spice
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 can (15 ounces) pumpkin (or equivalent in fresh puree)
- 1 teaspoon McCormick® All Natural Pure Vanilla Extract
- 1 can (12 ounces) evaporated milk

INSTRUCTIONS

Preheat oven to 425 F. Line 9-inch pie plate with pie crust. Mix eggs, brown sugar, pumpkin pie spice, flour, and salt in medium bowl until smooth. Stir in pumpkin and vanilla. Gradually add evaporated milk, mixing well. Pour into pie crust. Bake 15 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 350 F. Bake 40 minutes longer or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Serve warm or cold. Garnish with whipped cream and sprinkle with additional pumpkin pie spice, if desired. Store covered in refrigerator.

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Who says salads are just for summertime? Now that hot and humid days have given way to the crisp evenings of fall, it's time to tweak lunch and dinner menus accordingly. Even though soups and stews are the norm this time of year, salads can have their menu moments as well. What better way to usher in fall than with a seasonal staple like apples?



Juicy and tart apples add crunch to this spinach-based salad. The addition of nuts and cheese also enhance the sweet-salty appeal of "Double-Apple Spinach Salad," while also offering up plenty of fiber, vitamins, minerals and antioxidants. Try this easy recipe, courtesy of "The Mediterranean Diet Cookbook" (Rockridge Press) from the editors of Rockridge University Press.

- 1 medium Granny Smith apple, diced
- 1 medium red apple, diced
- 1/2 cup toasted walnuts
- 2 ounces low-fat, sharp white cheddar cheese, cubed
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 tablespoon red wine vinegar or apple cider vinegar

INSTRUCTIONS

Toss the spinach, apples, walnuts, and cubed cheese together. Lightly drizzle olive oil and vinegar over the top and serve.

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INGREDIENTS: Serves 4

- 8 cups baby spinach

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■ **CONCERT REVIEWS**

Scottish Chamber Orchestra at Troy Savings Bank Music Hall

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**
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TROY — Attendees of the Scottish Chamber Orchestra on Thursday night heard one of the world's best musicians play one of the finest instruments ever built at Troy Savings Bank Music Hall.

The Troy Chromatic Club is celebrating 125 years of bringing classical music to the Collar City, most often to the venerable music hall on 2nd Street. Thursday evening, the club's second concert of the season, showcased the Scottish Chamber Orchestra, fronted by its animated young conductor, Maxim Emelyanychev. In addition to promising the performance of Anna Clyne's Beethoven-inspired "Stride," the night was to also include Grammy Award-winning violin



Andy Gotts

Christina Kernohan

Stuart Armitt

soloist, Nicola Benedetti.

Clyne is a gifted composer known to use various mediums before finishing a piece of work. For her Grammy Award-nominated composition "Night Ferry," she fixed seven canvases upon the wall, painting the music as she wrote it. "Stride" was one of three pieces in which she was commissioned to write,

Thursday evening's performance of the Scottish Chamber Orchestra featured world-class talent, including Grammy Award-winning violinist Nicola Benedetti (above), and the work of Grammy Award-nominated composer Anna Clyne (insert). The visiting orchestra, hosted by the Troy Chromatic Club, was directed by Maxim Emelyanychev.

celebrating Ludwig von Beethoven's 250th birthday in 2020. As played by the chamber orchestra, there were elements familiar to the late composer's "Sonata Pathétique," from which she drew inspiration. A *Bachtrack* reviewer once tied it to Alfred Hitchcock's film, "Psycho," as it reminded them of the infamous shower scene. Just a few weeks from Halloween, it sounded like an appropriate choice.

Audiences are gifted by the musicians' subtle gestures while watching an orchestra perform in person. In addition to the conductor's direction, you can spy players as they watch for each other's cues. Benedetti strode across the stage behind Emelyanychev as he ushered her to the front of the stage. She appeared to smile as she took notice to a few people seated in the front row before proceeding to close her eyes to play Max Bruch's "Violin Concerto No. 1." Her instrument's distinguishably sweet tone resonated throughout the room. If she took direction

from anyone else, it wasn't apparent: the young virtuoso was on another plain.

Benedetti's violin is a story in and of itself. The decorated musician plays a Stradivarius, particularly the Gariel Strad of 1717, loaned to her by Bank of America president, Jonathan Moulds. Of the 600 or so violins crafted by Antonio Stradivari that are still around today, Benedetti's instrument is considered by experts to be among his 30 best violins. In 2012, it was valued at \$6.3 million. When she plays with orchestras, she says, players from the violin section often crowd her to ask about it.

She brought the audience to its feet, the first of three standing ovations; another example of world-class talent brought to perform here in the Capital District. The venue's challenge to fill more of its seats on a Thursday night was likely accentuated by the stormy weather or volatile economy. Those who did attend, however, witnessed history.

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CONCERT REVIEWS

Super 400 with Sean Matthew Whiteford, Chris Carey at Cohoes Music Hall

By **MARK HUDSON**
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COHOES – Super 400 blew the roof off the storied Cohoes Music Hall Saturday night with two dynamite sets of music made popular by rock behemoths Led Zeppelin.

The veteran Troy band, comprising Kenny Hohman (guitar, vocals), Lori Friday (bass, vocals), and Joe Daley (drums), was augmented on this occasion by lead vocalist Sean Matthew

Whiteford and Chris Carey on keyboards and harmonica.

Friday commented early in the set that they had worked hard on this concept, and that was plain to see. The band, plus guests, essayed what is some of the most formidable and difficult music to play and sing in the hard rock canon with commendable verve and confidence.

Whiteford was a ball of energy, bouncing around the stage, handling the power and range of the repertoire with bravado. Hohman was just astounding, peeling off those classic riffs with apparent ease, his fingers flying over the frets with fierce fiery freedom. Friday kept a churning and unrelenting bottom end surging throughout

whilst Daley battered his kit into submission with the very incendiary invocation of the late John Bonham. Carey supplied admirable support with subtle and appropriate keyboard and harmonica work.

The gig had been initially advertised as Super 400 playing the first Led Zeppelin album in its entirety, and indeed that's what the first set was. You can't really miss with the opening shot of "Good Times Bad Times", which introduced Led Zeppelin to the world in 1969. The stop-start kicking-your-door-down Jimmy Page guitar riffs, combined with Bonham's depth charge drum assaults were irresistible then and have proved to be to this day. Super 400 thundered into it and remained

in the groove all night, buoyed by the ecstatic response from a near-capacity crowd. When Hohman played the violin bow solo in "Dazed and Confused" and the band kicked in after the pause with THAT riff, I got chills. This writer was lucky enough to witness the genuine article twice (Earls Court 1975 and Knebworth 1979), and let me tell you, in that moment Super 400 matched them in intensity and energy.

After a slinky "How many more times" Friday announced that the band would return with more Zeppelin in a second set. OK with me! Happily, they did not rely on a predictable greatest hits tune stack (no "Stairway to Heaven," *thank gawd*), but rocked out on some deep cuts.

("No Quarter?" "The Ocean?" Cool.) Hohman and Friday even brought their nine-year-old daughter Ellie out to bash out the iconic drum pattern of "When the Levee Breaks."

They finished with the drum showcase "Moby Dick" and the audience howled for more. They were then rewarded with a hammering version of "Whole Lotta Love."

Two things were evident by the end of this fine concert.

Led Zeppelin was the real deal.

Super 400 is the real deal; a titanic display.

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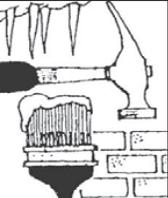
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CONCERT REVIEWS

ZZ Top, Austin Meade at Palace Theatre

By **DON WILCOCK**
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ALBANY — “The bottom line is ZZ Top sounds like ZZ which is (a matter) of interpretation rather than slave to form. It’s what keeps it funky,” band leader Billy Gibbons told me in 2017.

It’s a slippery slope adapting hard-core electric blues to the rock world without coming across as modern-day minstrels. For more than half a century this rock band has added mojo to the mix without desecrating their delta blues mentors. To do it with the same lineup for that long had been unprecedented. Then, bass player Dusty Hill died last year. His last wish was that his guitar tech Elwood Francis replace him. The band’s first area concert at the Palace in Albany on Friday, Oct. 14 was our first chance to see Elwood in action.

Billy Gibbons of ZZ Top as the band performs before a MVP Arena crowd on Friday, Oct. 14.

Dakota Gilbert / Nippertown

If anything, Elwood came off more outrageous than lead guitarist and bearded vocalist Billy F. Gibbons and drummer Frank Beard, his spikey white beard and hair making him look like a human starfish out of water. Yes, he pulled it off, providing a rock-solid bottom to a short hour and 15-minute set that included classic ZZ Top songs “Brown Sugar,” “Under Pressure,” “Thank You,” “Have Mercy,” “Give Me All Your Lovin,’” “Pearl Necklace,” “Sharp Dressed Man” and “Legs.” The encore of “Tube Snake Boogie” had the mostly middle-aged crowd screaming, as bubbles from behind the stage spewed into a scene that only looked out of control.

The three-man group is so tight you couldn’t puncture their festive balloon-like delivery with a pin, and hearing their half-century-old take on testosterone-heavy delta blues on steroids obliterated any concern over whether white guys can cross over into our American blues-rock heritage.

There were some clouds on the horizon. They did neither “La Grange” nor “Heard It on The X,” two numbers that stand out on their latest live album Raw. Also, Gibbons is one of the most amazing slide guitarists in rock.

His take on the instrument is as unique and thrilling as Jimi Hendrix was in re-inventing the style from progenitors like Elmore James, who first advanced slide techniques seven decades ago. Unfortunately, Gibbons played only one song with slide.

At their peak, ZZ Top sold out arenas at ear-splitting volume. I was able to purchase fifth-row seats at the Palace the day before the show. I didn’t need my earplugs, but the sound was so clean, I got the same buzz at under 100 dBs as I had at 120.

ZZ Top encored with “Tube Snake Boogie,” one of the most salaciously delicious numbers in the history of rock. And the band once again proved they’re able to deliver their studio sound in a live setting that sends their audience over the top. “The studio is an adjunct to what we do, and something of a tool shed for us,” Gibbons once told me. “There’s not much we’ve done in the studio that we haven’t been able to do on stage and that’s quite intentional. We aim to sound like ourselves. It’s much more comfortable that way. Then again, we do enjoy going about figuring how to replicate the exotic, when contemporary tech is in the blend.”

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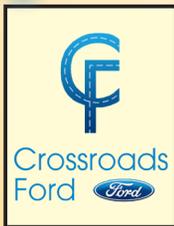


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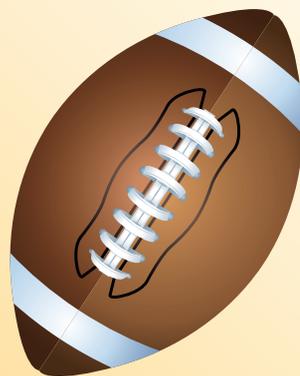
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Local hardware store opens on Central Avenue

Hatchet Hardware opens a new store in Colonie at former Goodwill location

Hatchet Hardware, a family-owned and operated authorized Ace Hardware dealer with multiple store locations in Upstate, NY, has arrived just off Central Avenue at 1 Fuller

Since the store opened in May, the Hatchet team has worked hard with some exciting brands like Benjamin Moore, Magnolia paint, Big Green Egg, Ego, and Yeti to stock a wide range of hardware



Road in Colonie.

Before opening as the Colonie store, the building was known as the former Goodwill Colonie building. Vice President of Hatchet Hardware, Giovanni Grasso said he would drive by it and thought it would be a great location for a retail space.

“Once the property became available to us, we became so excited about bringing a quality and convenient hardware store to the area. It was a no-brainer for us to make it happen,” he said. “We love being in this community.”

and home goods.

They are also excited about carrying the Stihl brand in at store by the end of 2022, Grasso said.

In an area surrounded by big-box, corporate retail giants, the 9,500 square-foot Hatchet Hardware Colonie shop relies on its knowledgeable and

“Once the property became available to us, we became so excited about bringing a quality and convenient hardware store to the area. It was a no-brainer for us to make it happen,”

- Giovanni Grasso
Vice President of Hatchet Hardware

dedicated staff and their ability to offer outstanding customer service to set



themselves apart.

“Coming from managing a big-box corporate chain store, I initially didn’t know what to expect transitioning to a smaller hardware/home improvement retailer, but the family at Hatchet has made this move seamless, Store Manager Saul

Kaleel said. “They create an extremely positive work environment. You immediately feel part of the family, your opinions and ideas are valued, you have a knowledgeable and experienced team ready to support you at all times, and you are empowered to make the decisions you feel are best to take care of your associates, customers, and the community.”

Creating a culture that aligns with the service expectations of our customers is paramount at Hatchet, especially when a consumer has multiple options where they can spend their hard-earned money.

According to Kaleel, the work culture makes it

easy for our staff to provide amazing customer service to every person who enters the store each day.

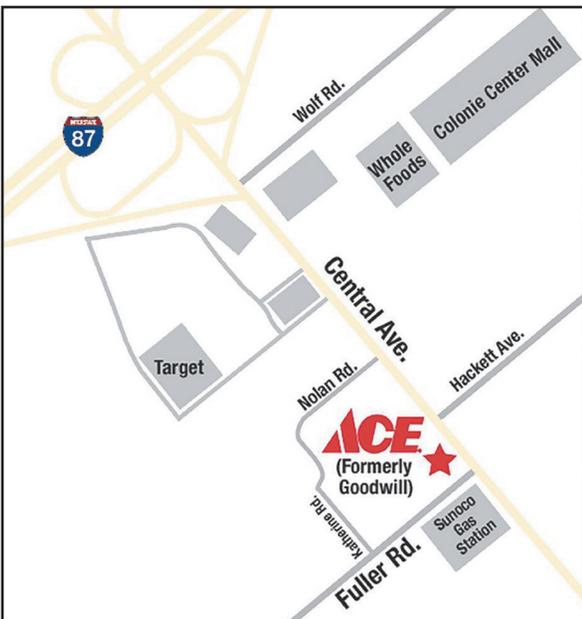
“It’s a much more intimate setting that customers love, which you will not get shopping at a big-box store. Here, you

get to spend quality time with your customers, give them helpful tips, and build relationships,” he said.

On Saturday, October 29, Hatchet Hardware Colonie will host an event at their store at 1 Fuller

Road from 10-4p.m.

It will feature vendors that represent many of the brands carried at the store. The event will be open to all in the community, so stop by and see what Hatchet Hardware has to offer.



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A Costume For All Seasons

The Costumer hosts event to highlight new location at Mohawk Harbor

By **AMARIS FORD**
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SCHENECTADY - The Costumer, a local business with a rich history, moved its retail location last August to a new location at Mohawk Harbor in Schenectady. The new location sprawls over 7,000 square feet, now containing an outdoor patio for family events and plenty of free parking for shoppers

On Saturday, October 15th, The Costumer will be hosting a Family Fun Event. Their Fang-tastic Fiesta is from 11-3pm on the patio, moving indoors if the weather is poor. The

event is free. Attendees can participate in pumpkin decorating, mask making, makeup demos, while enjoying Flacos Tacos food truck.

"Our patio is decorated for the season," said Co-

owner Bonnie Johnsen. "It is a wonderful photo opportunity. Kids love it! A visit to The Costumer is great way to get into the Halloween spirit."

The company caters to a variety of needs for shoppers in the Capital Region, selling dancewear/footwear, holiday themed costumes, wigs, props,

accessories, makeup as well as costume rentals at our Barrett Street location.

"The Costumer is open all year round," reminded Johnsen. "We do not disappear after Halloween."

Their extensive selection provides customers with a vast variety of options to achieve their Halloween costume vision.

The expansive space at Mohawk Harbor allows for a wonderful hands-on shopping experience. "We encourage customers to try things on. Our creative staff is also available to assist with accessories, props and wigs," added Johnsen. "What people are getting is a warm and fuzzy shopping experience when stepping through our doors."

"Our Mohawk Harbor store has a large makeup counter, stocked with makeup for Halloween as

well as theatrical makeup. The staff is delighted to do makeup demos for customers who may be a bit apprehensive about doing special effects makeup for Halloween," added Johnsen.

"Everyone that works here absolutely loves what they do and loves Halloween, so they are excited to be helping you. Shoppers benefit from our fantastic customer service when they shop with us"

- Bonnie Johnsen
Co-owner of
The Costumer

"Shoppers benefit from our fantastic customer service when they shop with us," continued Johnsen. "Everyone that works here absolutely loves what they do and loves Halloween, so they are

excited to be helping you."

The Costumer's customer service is another differentiating aspect of The Costumer, appealing to repeat customers. "We have a loyal following," said Johnsen.

costumes over 1,000 shows a year across the United States.

"There are literally generations of families that have grown up with The Costumer. We love hearing all of the stories from our customers," said Johnsen. "It is a wonderful feeling for us as owners knowing we have part of so many family memories."

Bonnie Johnsen and her husband, Erik Johnsen, are the fourth owners of this generational store's legacy. "You have this huge responsibility to keep going and make it better, too," said Johnsen, "and really listen to your customers."

"We are grateful for The Capital Region's continued support of The Costumer."



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Spinney Group serves the area's needs

The family-run company delivers maximum value to residents

As a second-generation, family run company, The Spinney Group understands the needs of Capital Region communities. Whether it's development, construction management, or property management, the company works to deliver maximum value to its residents.

"We are more than just a roof over your head; we like to think of ourselves as a full-service residential property management firm that helps people live meaningful and fulfilling lifestyles," said the Spinney Group's President and CEO, Morgan Ruthman.

The Spinney Group's current project, The

Spinney at Van Dyke, is a model of how these values are put into action.

The Spinney at Van Dyke is a 220-unit active adult community in the town of Bethlehem.



Currently, 102 units are completed and fully occupied, and the company is in the final two stages of the project, which were approved by the town this year. They broke ground on Phase Three and have begun sitework and infrastructure. Ruthman estimates that the project will take three to four years to complete in full.

"We're excited about completing the project

and providing a response to a clear demand for 55+ active living that is being communicated to us by the seniors in the community," said Ruthman.

As an "active adult" community, The Spinney at Van Dyke features both cottage-style residences and robust wellness-focused lifestyle programs. It offers a wide selection of amenities, activities, and events for residents to enjoy.

"Our Lifestyle Director, Courtney Russell, presents an amazing range of programming," said Ruthman. "We also have amenities at our clubhouse like a community garden, a pool and a gym. And we have clubs which we encourage residents to

form on their own and which we support through our clubhouse."

The Spinney Group has received overwhelmingly

immense success in the first phases.

"The town of Bethlehem, I think, has recognized that The

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Spinney Group President and CEO

positive feedback from residents as a unique senior living community. Ruthman notes that there was a clear desire amongst senior residents in the town for a local active living community. The Spinney Group listened and is already seeing

Spinney at Van Dyke is a great place for active seniors who want to stay local—that it is a wonderful addition to the town's housing diversity," said Ruthman.

Ruthman emphasized the importance of The Spinney Group's ongoing

commitment to property management, rather than restricting their focus to new development.

"There's something to be said for our operating as the management company for assets which we have an ownership interest in, because we are personally invested in the outcomes for our employees and our residents," said Ruthman. "We take resident satisfaction very seriously, and because we take it seriously, we also take employee satisfaction seriously. We have found that if we take good care of our staff then they take good care of our residents."

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Star Roofing Honoring Prices in Wake of Ian

Rebuilding after the hurricane will decrease roofing material supply

By CHEYENNE WALLACE
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As Florida begins to recover from the havoc of Hurricane Ian, Star Roofing is preparing their customers for next year's increase in price.

Following the destruction of Ian, many people and contractors are on their way to Florida to help rebuild homes and roofs lost to the storm. With prices already high due to inflation, Peter Wall of Star Roofing is predicting a 10 to 20 percent increase in material costs in the coming year from rebuilding efforts in the South. Star Roofing's solution to the predicted

increase— if you're thinking about repairing a roof, the time to pay for it is now.

"Based on inflation, and the demand that's going to be created by



the hurricane in Florida, we can easily see in 2023 a 10-20 percent increase throughout the year," Wall said.

The Capital Region business will honor any residential contract signed before Nov. 30 for the end of year and next spring's roofs with 2022 pricing. Depending on the weather, some residential roofs may even be completed

by the end of December. The predicted start of next spring's roofs is April 1.

In the meantime, Star Roofing will inventory and stock as much material and supply in anticipation.

Rebuilding in Florida will be the top priority for manufacturers and contractors in the country. Materials like shingles, tarps, and plywood will arrive en masse to the peninsula and leave stock tight for the rest of the country in the upcoming year.

"The ones that are not going to have to be torn down, which are going to be a lot of them, are all going to need roofs," Wall said. "There's only so many shingles they manufacture."

Star Roofing has recently celebrated 25 years in business. They are also certified by the manufacturers which ensures the business is trained, financially

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increasing in price to inflation, many are weary to put the money down or sign a contract on something as big as a roofing job. However, with the devastatingly large

- Peter Wall, President
Star Roofing

credentialed and are insured to operate in the state of New York. They also offer an extended warranty on every job they complete which they highly recommend.

Just like every item

amount of destruction Ian left behind, prices on contracted jobs are only predicted to increase higher in the new year. An increase of anywhere to 10 to 20 percent is predicted by Star Roofing and other

contractors across the country.

"The time to act is now, and to not wait for this situation to escalate" Wall said.

With these criteria, Star Roofing and their roofing jobs are guaranteed by the manufacturer. Along with the 2022 price honoring for next spring, Star Roofing is where to look if a roof repair is in the near future. Even with the tough situation to come next year, Star Roofing is still strong in their position to do the best for their customers.

Being ahead of the curve, both as a business and a customer, will save a lot of money in the end. The time to act is now.





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Say cheese! The iSmile Studios way

Company adds a new dimension to school photo season

By CHEYENNE WALLACE
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With schools out for the summer, iSmile Studios is itching for school photo season to begin.

The studio first approached the owner's alma mater and asked them if they would be willing to support an alumni's small business. The school said yes. Without really knowing how to run a picture day, iSmile dove in and found wild success with their approach.

"We feel like we're really disrupting what school pictures were supposed to be," Stephanie McCauley said.

iSmile takes a very different approach to picture day than the traditional process. Each student becomes the subject of their own personal photo session.



Instead of taking one photo of the student and moving on, the studio takes a variety of photos in a variety of poses and expressions that parents can choose from.

Schools are offered the option of inside or outside sessions. Indoor sessions are easiest. The outdoor sessions are a lot harder, but pose no challenge for the professional photographers at iSmile.

"Outdoors is a lot harder because conditions change throughout the season and throughout the days," McCauley said. "Parents really really love the ability to get natural light outdoor photos of their children"

Regardless of what schools choose for the year, monotony will never be an issue.

"Each time we go into a school we change what we do for them," McCauley said. "While they get a similar experience in using us, they get a variety, so mom and dad aren't getting the same photo year after year."

For many students and families, school pictures are the only professional photos they'll have. iSmile

doesn't take that fact lightly. Spending time with the students to get their real smiles, their laughs and make them comfortable is important. Students also receive a free class photo regardless of placing an order.

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— Stephanie McCauley,
iSmile Studios owner

Orders are placed after the pictures have been taken, another difference from the norm. After a picture day, students are sent home with a personal access code to view their

pictures online. Families can choose from a variety of packages and indoor backgrounds on the iSmile website.

"They can order whatever they want, whether that's one

photo or the whole thing in print, digital or both," McCauley said.

iSmile also specializes in senior photos for both high school and college

seniors. The program is so successful and popular people can't wait for it.

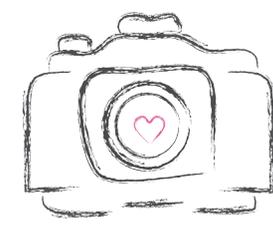
"I get emails right now asking when senior photos

are," McCauley said.

For 13 years, iSmile Studios has shaken up the ways of doing school photos, and they don't plan on stopping any time soon.







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Q&A with a new face

National Bank of Coxsackie's Jennifer Vollar

GLENMONT— The Spotlight recently sat down with a new face at the Bank, Jennifer Vollar

Question: Jennifer can you tell us a little bit about yourself and your role at National Bank of Coxsackie?

I have been in banking for 10 years. Working first with Citizens Bank and then making the change to a Sidney Federal Credit Union. I have 25 years in the management field. I was looking to stay with a smaller bank and one that had great ties to their communities. National Bank of Coxsackie fit both of those wants and I knew that it would be a great fit for me.

I am looking forward to making myself part of the community and

working with everyone from personal to business relations and helping NBC expand their banking clients in the



Capital District.

Question: What's been new and exciting at National Bank of Coxsackie since we last sat down?

NBC has certainly been busy recently! Most notably, we've launched a new digital channel through our website called NBC Express!

Question: What is NBC Express?

Small businesses can apply for installment loans or credit lines through this online

program. The entire process, from application to funding can be done online! No need to step foot in the Bank! For all the information just check it out on our website nbcoxsackie.com

Question: How does NBC Express tie into National Bank of Coxsackie's current culture?

As a community bank we look for ways to help our small businesses grow at their convenience. As we know that running a business is a very time-consuming job. It doesn't always allow time to come into the bank to apply for a loan. With this new program, the small business owner can do it at a time that fits their busy schedule!

Pay it forward

Local businesses can help each other

The power of small businesses is immense. However, starting a small business is no easy venture. The financial resource Fortunly states that roughly 22 percent of small businesses will fail in their first year of operation. Thirty percent fail because they run out of cash. One of the ways a small business can do better is to utilize the support of other local businesses.

Business owners often conduct market research to identify who their competition is and to determine if there is room in the market for their products or services. It's just as important for established business owners to keep up with the who's who in the business community, as doing so can pave the way for collaborative efforts that

benefit all local businesses. Here are some ways small business owners can support one another.

- Offer reassurance: Simply knowing they are not alone can help a small business owner survive. Owning a business can be stressful, and having another person acknowledge that it's alright to feel overwhelmed at times can be the spark owners need to press on.

- Share opportunities: A business owner who discovers a resource or an opportunity that worked for him or her, or even one that didn't work but may for another, can pass on the information to another small business owner. It's not about driving others down, but lifting them up.

- Cross-promotion: Business owners can show support by promoting other businesses in their

communities. Make a bulletin board (either in-person or online) of other local business cards to recommend. This exhibits your community spirit and builds camaraderie. Use every opportunity to refer complementary businesses. For example, a local pet shop may recommend a pet groomer or veterinarian.

- Organize networking events: Whether it's done through a local Chamber of Commerce or individual efforts, small business owners can spearhead events that get other owners together to network and share ideas. These meetings can help others let off steam at the same time.

- Volunteer and donate: Small businesses can meet other business owners, but also become more involved in their communities.

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No community stays the same forever. Despite the sense of familiarity individuals may feel when visiting their hometown, those communities have undoubtedly undergone significant changes over the years.

Over the first two decades of the 21st century, small towns have been forced to confront an assortment of changes and challenges, including the COVID-19 pandemic. Main Street is what makes most towns unique, and many communities recognize how vital a thriving local business scene is to the survival of their towns and cities. As public health advocates and politicians increasingly declare that the pandemic is nearing its end, communities can

work together and take these steps to revitalize Main Street.

- Recognize there's no magic formula. When attempting to revitalize a community business district, it's important that elected officials,



business owners and residents recognize that what worked for one town or city will not necessarily work for their town. This is an important recognition, as it underscores the benefits of listening to everyone's ideas and considering new approaches, even if they don't have a proven track record.

- Identify what makes your community unique.

Each community has its own unique assets, and case studies conducted the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency have found that identifying these assets offer the best opportunities for growth. For example, a community with a rich history can make that history a focal point of their revitalization efforts. If a community is located on a lake or another body of water, revitalization efforts can be focused on capitalizing on the allure of waterfront dining and entertainment.

- Make it easy for investors. Revitalization efforts require investment. Towns and cities that have seen better days may not generate the level of tax revenue necessary to finance revitalization efforts, necessitating outside investment. It



- Emphasize the need for cooperation. The EPA case studies found that cooperation within the community enabled towns and cities that successfully revitalized to leverage the assets that each party brought to the table and make the most of local resources. By emphasizing the many benefits of a collective effort, local officials can reassure residents and business owners that they aren't just paying lip service but putting a community's willingness to work together to use in service of everyone.

Successful efforts to revitalize Main Street have often been found in communities that have worked together to identify their assets and sought input from residents, business owners and even outside investors.

may require walking a tightrope, but local officials can explain strategies to encourage outside investors to residents and current business owners in their communities. These strategies may involve

offering new incentives to investors, but residents and business owners may be more likely to support such measures if they're kept informed as those strategies are developed and implemented.

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How consumers can help small businesses

Small businesses continue to be the backbone of the North American business community. According to the career resource Zippia, there are 33.2 million small businesses in the United States. Those organizations employ around 62 million people. The financial wellness company Fortunly says that small businesses account for nearly half of all private sector jobs in Canada. In fact, small employer businesses made up 98.1 percent of all businesses in Canada in 2021.

Despite the prevalence of small businesses and the abundance of people willing to become entrepreneurs, 20 percent of these firms fail within the first year, and only 55 percent survive five years

or more, says Zippia. The COVID-19 pandemic was particularly harsh on small businesses. However, many of them survived through digitization that they plan to continue to utilize even when the pandemic is long gone.

Maintaining a small



business through economic highs and lows and other issues often comes down to customer involvement. Consumers are the driving forces behind the success of small businesses. Here are some effective ways for consumers to help small businesses grow.

- Shop local. The “Shop Local” movement has been around for awhile but remains as relevant as

ever. Shopping local means becoming repeat patrons at the independent businesses that comprise Main Street as opposed to the chain stores that dominate strip malls.

- Share on social. Social media can be a great way to spread the word about businesses you like and point out particular examples why you shop there. Utilizing social media platforms to highlight the positive attributes of a business can help that business grow.

- Call direct for take-out orders. Those ubiquitous third-party food delivery services may be convenient, but



businesses have to share the profit from your purchase with the delivery service, cutting into their bottom lines. Pick up your order or rely on the restaurants’ own delivery teams.

- Engage with the business online. Complicated algorithms

and other factors determine how a business’ website or social media page gets seen by the public. You can help things along by liking pages, visiting the website frequently and sharing any posts.

- Speak about a business in person. When out and

about, whether you’re dining with friends or chatting with a stranger, try to push and recommend businesses you support. If someone compliments your lawn, shoes or haircut, mention the businesses that did the work or sold you the products.

- Suggest opportunities for exposure. If you know about a school or organization looking for vendors, make the suggestion to a small business you use frequently. They may get new customers from participating in the event.

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Comprehensive dental care

Dr. Abele, a pioneer in dental sciences

DELMAR — “Building an oral health home for families where comprehensive, top-of-the-line dental services were easily accessible was my goal,” said Dr. Thomas Abele, who, since 1969, has been a pioneer and leader in the dental sciences. “With the support of a talented and dedicated staff, I hope I have achieved that.”

By offering a total spectrum of care for all ages, Abele eliminates the need for patients to move from doctor to doctor to achieve optimal oral health, comfort and beauty. Early on, he spent the additional hours of training to become qualified in dental implant technology and root canal therapy. His reinvestment in his practice ensures

that patients are offered the latest in minimally invasive approaches, digital imaging, laser power and sedation dentistry.

“Dental medicine, most pointedly when encompassing cosmetic dentistry, is definitely an art,” said Abele. “Every aesthetic aspect of a patient’s face must be taken into consideration when addressing reconstructive procedures, whether in the application of veneers and crowns or restorations with implants.”

Because Abele works closely with the technicians of his on-site dental lab, issues such as tooth color and shape are seamlessly addressed. His deep experience in placing dental implants, including the latest in genetically coated bone grafting, when required, and beautifully designed tooth restorations is renowned.

Citing the importance of patient education, Abele said, “Although I personally feel responsible for my patients’ oral health, they have to ‘buy in.’ That requires helping them understand why compliance with good oral health habits, including attention to their gums, can make them healthier and happier. I enjoy taking the time needed to answer questions and provide ongoing support.

“As much as I have always enjoyed the research and ongoing education that dental medicine requires in order to stay at the top of the game,” said Abele, “I most enjoy the results I see in my much valued patients. They are the ones who make me look good.”

— Dr. Thomas Abele

Volunteering helps you connect to your community

Right now, one of the biggest social problems we face is a lack of connection. The pandemic left most older adults feeling isolated and looking for engaging ways to reconnect with others, and provide a sense of purpose. It’s hard to feel depressed, lonely, or in a bad mood when you’re helping someone in need. Feeling better about oneself leads to having a more positive outlook on life. If the focus is on serving others, feelings of isolation and anxiety take a necessary back seat. Making a difference in someone’s life can put a smile on your face!

Volunteering in your community, can establish immediate and rewarding connections. Everyone has some sort of skill that can be shared for the benefit of others. Some of us are good

at administrative tasks, talent for working outdoors or doing physical labor. Others have experience with animals, children, or at working with the elderly. Putting these skills into action helps to provide vital support to community-based organizations. The value of relationships is learned thru giving back and the importance of individuals being a part of something greater than themselves.

Aristotle, the famous philosopher said, “the essence of life is to serve others and do good.” What better description of volunteering? Time is a valuable gift to give, and now more than ever, the need for volunteers is growing. Contributions through volunteerism go a long way to making our communities better places

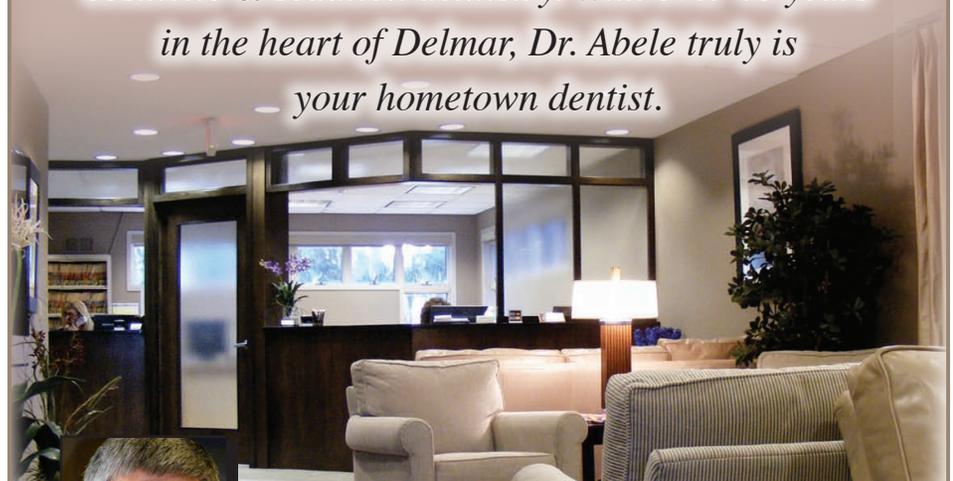
to live for all. Whether you volunteer for a cause you believe in, participate in something you enjoy, or simply want to have a more regular schedule, volunteering can provide opportunities to make new friends, expand social skills or try something new. Thus, volunteers also benefit themselves in many important and surprising ways.

We all desire to be wanted and needed by others. Living a life with purpose is key to happiness, and volunteering can be a component in creating a more meaningful and satisfying life for both you and the people you help along the way.

Kristin Vivian is Director of Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) through Colonie Senior Service Centers Inc., the grantee of AmeriCorps Seniors.

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RSVP Volunteer Station Fair

Studies show that volunteering is good for one’s mental and physical health. Do you have a desire to volunteer? Are you already an RSVP volunteer but are looking for something new? Interested in volunteer opportunities in your community?

Then plan to attend the **RSVP Volunteers Station Fair on Tuesday, October 25 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. in the Lakeview Room at The Beltrone Living Center, 6 Winners Circle, Albany, NY 12205.** You’ll have an opportunity to register as an RSVP volunteer, meet with Station representatives to discuss various volunteer opportunities offered within Albany, Rensselaer and Schenectady counties, gather information, enjoy refreshments and meet other area volunteers. Let’s form community!

For additional questions, please contact Kristin Vivian, Director of RSVP and Volunteer Services 518-459-2857 ext. 308 or by email kvivian@colonieseniors.org




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Yes, I do care about you

How employers benefit from engaging employees more effectively

The COVID-19 pandemic prompted millions of people to reconsider their careers. That reflection has had a profound effect on the labor market. Data from the U.S. Department of Labor indicates that 4.5 million people quit their jobs in the United States in November 2021, which led to a near record-high number of job openings around the end of 2021 and the beginning of 2022.

Though the pandemic may have led millions of people who were previously dissatisfied with their careers to make positive changes, employers forced to confront staff shortages may be wondering what they can do to attract qualified and talented candidates. Finding ways to engage workers more completely could benefit companies in various ways. A recent poll from Gallup found that

companies suffer some pretty significant consequences when their employees are disengaged. Gallup reports that such companies suffer from 16 percent lower profitability, 18 percent lower productivity and 37 percent lower job growth.

No two workers are the same, so there's no magic wand employers can wave that will ensure everyone is suddenly engaged and satisfied with their jobs and career prospects. However, recognition of what employees value most could help businesses

retain workers longer and keep those workers engaged. A recent survey of 540 full-time employees from the market insight firm Clutch found that the most important workplace values for full-time employees are fair pay and fair treatment. It's no surprise that compensation bears such significance, as pandemic-related inflation and global conflicts have led to rising costs on everything from food to fuel. However, a survey from the risk management experts at Willis Towers Watson found that there's a disconnect between employees and employers in



regard to the importance of fair pay and its relation to workplace stress. Employees consider low pay to be the second greatest source of workplace stress, while employers indicated that eight other factors are greater sources of such stress for their employees. Employers concerned about staff dissatisfaction, and the effects that disengaged employees

can have on their bottom lines, can make a concerted effort to revisit their compensation policies. An overhaul of such policies could be just what companies need to reengage employees and improve employee retention, giving businesses a significant advantage in an era marked by significant turnover in the labor force.



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