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Municipalities scramble to board wayward animals

By **JIM FRANCO**  
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▲ A caged dog shies away from the comforting hand of a Mohawk Hudson Humane Society employee.

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# Weekly Volunteer FIREFIGHTER CALLS



## Friday, Oct 21

5:29 a.m.	Structure Fire Vulnerable LC	MCCORMACK RD	Slingerlands VFD
9:11 a.m.	Rescue	THATCHER PARK RD	Slingerlands VFD
10:52 a.m.	EMS Call	BEVERWYCK LN, 104	North Bethlehem VFD
11:56 a.m.	EMS Call	NEW SCOTLAND RD	Slingerlands, Delmar VFD

## Saturday, Oct 22

12:09 p.m.	Crash - Personal Injury	AVE / KENWOOD AVE	Delmar, Elsmere VFD
7:26 p.m.	Crash - Personal Injury	MAPLE AVE	Selkirk VFD

## Sunday, Oct 23

5:22 p.m.	Structure Fire Possible	BRIDGE ST	Selkirk VFD
11:10 p.m.	Structure Fire Vulnerable LC	GAY ST	Delmar VFD

## Monday, Oct 24

9:58 a.m.	Structure Fire Alarm	S HELDERBERG PKWY	Slingerlands, Delmar, Elsmere VFD
12:06 p.m.	EMS Call	KRUMKILL RD	North Bethlehem VFD
6:06 p.m.	EMS Call	ORCHARD ST	Slingerlands VFD
7:11 p.m.	Crash - Personal Injury	RD / ROUTE 9W	Elsmere, Selkirk VFD
7:35 p.m.	Structure Fire Alarm	HICKORY DR	North Bethlehem VFD

## Tuesday, Oct 25

12:29 p.m.	Structure Fire Possible	ETON DR	North Bethlehem, Slingerlands VFD
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## Wednesday, Oct 26

5:19 a.m.	Structure Fire Vulnerable LC	KENWOOD AVE	Slingerlands, Delmar VFD
11:00 a.m.	Structure Fire Possible	TIERNEY DR	Delmar, Elsmere, Slingerlands VFD
5:56 p.m.	Carbon Monoxide No Illness	SOMERSET DR	Elsmere VFD

## Thursday, Oct 27

12:09 a.m.	Carbon Monoxide No Illness	W YARD RD	Selkirk VFD
3:20 p.m.	Structure Fire Alarm	CANDLEWOOD LN	Delmar, Elsmere, Slingerlands VFD
3:22 p.m.	Structure Fire Alarm	FEURA BUSH RD, 100	Selkirk VFD
6:02 p.m.	Structure Fire Vulnerable LC	AUTUMN DR	North Bethlehem VFD
9:58 PM	EMS Call	AUTUMN DR, 274	North Bethlehem VFD

## ■ POLICE, FIRE and EMERGENCY CALLS

# Traffic stop nabs fraud suspect

Rotterdam man wanted for check fraud initially stopped for DWAI drugs

**LATHAM** — On Friday, Oct. 21, Brian H. Fernau, 32 of Rotterdam was arrested by State Police in Princetown for DWAI drugs. After an investigation, Troopers transferred him to State Police in Latham because he was wanted for his involvement in a series of fraud crimes.

On August 15, State Police were notified by two First Choice Financial Federal Credit Union branches in Fulton County that four fraudulent checks had been cashed at the financial institutions that day. An investigation

determined Fernau and Elijah N. Jacobs, 31, of Gloversville each possessed and cashed two checks at the branches.

An additional investigation determined Fernau attempted to cash a forged check on August 17, at a TCT Federal Credit Union in Saratoga County.

Police arrested Fernau and Jacobs on August 19 for the incidents in Fulton and Saratoga and they were arraigned. Jacobs was held for other warrants while Fernau was released on his own recognizance. He did not show up for court, however, and was free until the DWAI stop.

Now in addition to the Fulton county charges, State Police received a complaint on August 17, that Fernau attempted to cash a forged check valued

at \$2,100 at the Pioneer Bank in Colonie. The bank identified the check as forged and withheld both the funds and the check which were turned over to State Police investigators. An additional investigation determined the next day, Fernau allegedly cashed two more checks, one in Bethlehem and one at SEFCU in Colonie for \$2,500.

He was issued an appearance ticket.

## Man arrested for two thefts at Tractor Supply

**GLENMONT** — Bethlehem police arrested an Albany man on Thursday, Oct. 20, who was detained at the Albany

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■ TOWN NEWS

# Steps to calm Kenwood

Town retains consulting firm's services to prepare studies on Kenwood Avenue

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**  
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**DELMAR** — Lost in Wednesday night's three-hour marathon meeting of the Bethlehem Town Board were the Town's initial steps to solve pressing issues surrounding one of the community's busiest, and narrowest, roadways.

Kenwood Avenue is one of the town's oldest thoroughfares, stretching across the map from Slingerlands to the Delmar By-Pass. A stone survey marker adjacent from the Bethlehem Central Middle School once read "1929," a date in which most of the surrounding neighborhood was built. The school itself opened as the community's high school in 1930. Everything around it — front yards, sidewalks and roadway — was built to accommodate contemporary living, leaving little to no room between today's pedestrians and motorists.

Last August, a woman was clipped by the side mirror of a passing pick up truck. The issue spurred an argument against changing traffic patterns on Delaware Avenue, urging policy makers to focus more on Kenwood.

"Kenwood Avenue is a residential road with complex pedestrian and traffic speeding issues," Town Supervisor David VanLuven said Wednesday evening before the Town Board unanimously chose to pursue steps that will develop the Kenwood Avenue Traffic Calming Study.



**A service truck passes through the intersection of Kenwood Avenue and Oakwood Place in front of the Bethlehem Central Middle School. Last August, a pedestrian was clipped by the side mirror of a passing pick-up truck as she was on the sidewalk. The roadway does not have a shoulder to safely buffer pedestrians from motorists.**

Michael Hallisey / Spotlight News

The Town agreed to purchase a \$72,000 service agreement with CHA Consulting, Inc. The Albany-based engineering consulting and construction management firm is expected to initiate data collecting prior the end of this year, before approaching the public for ideas.

The scope of the project appears to break Kenwood Avenue into two sections; from Delaware Avenue to Elsmere Avenue, and from Elsmere Avenue to the Delmar By-Pass.

"Pedestrian safety is the primary issue, as the sidewalk is immediately adjacent to the road," Robert Lelsie states in his memo to the Town Board. The town director of economic development and planning added, "The sidewalk is heavily used

by children walking and riding bikes to the middle school and St. Thomas School. [Between Elsmere Avenue and the Delmar By-Pass], vehicle speeds and volumes are the concern, along with the lack of sidewalks."

The Town had selected CHA for the consulting project in a process that included bids from GPI and Creighton Manning, the latter of whom was hired to gather information on last year's Delaware Avenue Road Diet and Complete Streets project.

Initial work is to include collecting and evaluating traffic data. It will later include public engagement through meetings and an interactive project website before a final report identifying recommended solutions is prepared.

■ COMMUNITY

## Musical instrument donation drive

**WESTMERE** — The Book House of Stuyvesant Plaza, in partnership with Vanguard, Inc., the volunteer division of the Albany Symphony Orchestra, will host a used musical instrument collection drive on Saturday, Nov. 5, from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Vanguard, Inc., the volunteer division of the Albany Symphony Orchestra, helps provide instruments for hundreds of eager students in 10 area school districts, allowing them to study music in depth and play in school bands or orchestras when their families cannot afford expensive rental or purchase fees.

Vanguard seeks to obtain sufficient instruments that can be used by children. Donations are tax-deductible. Please note, pianos and guitars will not be accepted. Email jrrif@aol.com for additional information.

The Book House of Stuyvesant Plaza is located at 1475 Western Ave. in Westmere.

## Pick-up Turkey Dinner

**SELKIRK** - Bethlehem Grange 137 is offering a turkey dinner with all the fixings for you to pick up on Saturday, Nov. 12.

The turkey dinner includes mashed potatoes, dressing and gravy, vegetables, cranberry sauce and dessert.

Dinner will be served between 3:30 and 6 p.m. This is Take-Out Only!

Pre-Order your dinners by calling Carol Carpenter at 518-421-1384 before Thursday, Nov. 10. Please make sure your phone number is displayed for a return confirmation phone call.

All dinners will be available for pick-up at Bethlehem Grange 137 located at 24 Bridge Street in Selkirk.

## Craft Fair at Bethlehem Grange

**SELKIRK** - Bethlehem Grange 137 is to host a craft fair on Saturday, Dec. 10, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Lots of different crafts to check out and finish your holiday shopping. Plenty of Convenient Parking and there will be a Girl Scout Bake.

For additional information, call or text Jackie at 518-810-6031.

The Grange is located at 24 Bridge Street in Selkirk.

## Ladies' Night at Robinson's Hardware

**SLINGERLANDS** — Robinson's Hardware and Garden Center will be hosting a "Ladies Night" event on Friday, Dec. 2.

Robinson's Hardware and Garden Center will have a raffle to benefit the Children's Miracle Network at Albany Med's Children's Hospital. There will also be vendor demos, wine tasting, beer tasting, and hopefully liquor tasting as well.

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■ LOCAL BUSINESS

# New eatery moving in

Pastina Bistro to open former Twisted Vine site later this month

**DELMAR** — Popular Albany eatery Pastina Bistro will soon call the Four Corners its new home, taking over the recently vacated Twisted Vine & Tap property at 384 Kenwood Avenue.

News of the Italian restaurant moving in sort of rolled under the table when Twisted Vine & Tap closed its doors following a “Last Call” celebration in September. The announcement was made in a social media post on the Twisted Vine Facebook page in late September.

Owner Michael Pietrocola is moving his restaurant from Albany’s Colvin Avenue location to Delmar’s busy crossroads.

Pietrocola has more than 30 years of experience in the kitchen, including the Executive Suite, Pietrocola’s and Cornells in Schenectady, and The Edison Club in Rexford.



In the two years Pastina has operated off of Colvin Avenue, it has garnered rave reviews from amateur critics. The eatery is a five-star rated restaurant on Yelp after a modest collection of 10 reviews.

Twisted Vine steadily pulled back its services starting in January when its owners announced it would offer take-out orders exclusively. The popular wine bar was a favorite for Delmartians looking for light fare, a pour of wine and live music. By June, owners closed

down its dinner services.

Twisted Vine owner Brendan McCann had said in June that there were “several opportunities” to expand business at the Perfect Blend coffeehouse, to which he owns as well. The coffeehouse storefront expanded a few years before, adopting the floor space previously occupied by Bake Me a Cake, which they had owned, too.

According to social media posts, Pastina Bistro is expected to open its new location sometime in November.

— Michael Hallisey



## Game On at new store

**GLENMONT** — Delight, local gamers. Shroomy’s Game Store opened its doors at 365 Feura Bush Road, followed by a ribbon-cutting ceremony from the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. The new storefront carries a wide assortment of current and vintage video games, from the most recent gaming systems to legacy consoles dating back to the Atari 2600.

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**SCHOLASTIC SPORTS**

# A banner day

GCSD holds ribbon cutting ceremony for new turf field

**GUILDERLAND** — The new turf field at Guilderland High School was unveiled before students, staff, and Board of Education and community members in a ribbon cutting ceremony prior to the evening's varsity football game against Shaker High School on Friday, Oct. 21.

Members of the Guilderland Athletic Department, the board of education and several GHS athletes gathered on the field to ceremoniously cut the ribbon as stands packed with enthusiastic spectators cheered. The new turf field will be used for physical education classes and various sport practices, in addition to serving as the district's home base for sporting events.

One year ago, the residents of Guilderland Central School District voted to approve a \$21.8 million capital project proposal, which included the construction of a multi-purpose synthetic turf field. The \$2,510,745 project replaced the previous 8-lane track and grass football field, and included drainage, power and a safety control netting system to cover the corner of the track. Construction on the new field began over the summer and was completed earlier this month.

The new turf field will

## Bethlehem field hockey captures Section II Title

**GLOVERSVILLE** — It only takes one goal to win the class A sectional title as Bethlehem girls field hockey team found out on Sunday, Oct. 30 against Shenendehowa.

The Eagles' Haley Backlund found the back of the cage with 12:50 left in the fourth quarter to lift the third-seeded Bethlehem team over the fifth-seeded Shen team.

The goal came on a penalty corner and a perfect feed from Violet MacDonald after an inbound pass from Elizabeth Austin.

The Eagles defense held off a flurry of shots from Shenendehowa late in the game to secure the 1-0 win.

The team powered past sixth-seeded Niskayuna 5-0 in the first round of the sectional playoffs and downed second-seeded Guilderland 1-0 in overtime to reach the finals.

Bethlehem (12-7) next travels to the state tournament at Mahopac High School for a sectional round contest against Scarsdale.

Shenendehowa finished the year at 8-11 and reached the finals after upsetting the first seeded Saratoga squad.

benefit not only GCSD students and staff, but the local community as well. Synthetic turf enables the field to be used virtually year-round, compared to the old grass field which was dependent on weather conditions. This often led to home games in the early spring/late fall to be rescheduled to sites outside of the district since the grass field would be deemed unusable. To learn more about the background of the new turf field, visit the district's website.

According to the district,

the benefits of the new turf field expands beyond sports. GCSD students learn both in and outside of the classroom, and the value of outdoor learning spaces was highlighted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The turf field will increase the amount of physical education classes held outside, as well as extend the amount of time students spend outdoors. Most importantly, GCSD students will remain on campus more, enhancing their safety and eliminating disruptions to activities outside of school.

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■ SCHOLASTIC SPORTS

# Guilderland beats BC in quarterfinals

**GUILDERLAND** — The Dutch outlasted the Eagles in the Class AA quarterfinals by a score of 3-2 on Monday, Oct. 24.

The No. 4 seed Guilderland went on to fall to No. 1 seed Saratoga in the semifinals at Mechanicville High School on Thursday at 7 p.m. No. 2 Shaker defeated versus No. 3 Shenendehowa in the other bracket.

Against the No. 5 seed from Bethlehem, Leon Edelmann had two

goals for Guilderland and Cole Mead had an assist. The Dutch also benefited from an own goal off a Bethlehem defender's head.

Muamer Kanic scored for Bethlehem and Marcello Michel scored late in the second half on a header to bring the score to 3-2 but Bethlehem would get no closer.

Check out our website for more photos of the game.

— Jim Franco



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Text Of Proposal Number One, A Proposition: "Clean Water, Clean Air, And Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022"

## Short title

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "clean water, clean air, and green jobs environmental bond act of 2022."

## Creation of state debt

The creation of state debt in an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$4,200,000,000 is hereby authorized to provide moneys for the single purpose of making environmental improvements that preserve, enhance, and restore New York's natural resources and reduce the impact of climate change by funding capital projects for;

- restoration and flood risk reduction not less than \$1,100,000,000;
- open space land conservation and recreation up to \$650,000,000;
- climate change mitigation up to \$1,500,000,000;
- and, water quality improvement and resilient infrastructure not less than \$650,000,000.

## Bonds of the state

The state comptroller is hereby authorized and empowered to issue and sell bonds of the state up to the aggregate amount of \$4,200,000,000 for the purposes of this act, subject to the provisions of article 5 of the state finance law.

The aggregate principal amount of such bonds shall not exceed \$4,200,000,000) excluding bonds issued to refund or otherwise repay bonds heretofore issued for such purpose; provided, however, that upon any such refunding or repayment, the total aggregate principal amount of outstanding bonds may be greater than \$4,200,000,000 only if the present value of the aggregate debt service of the refunding or repayment bonds to be issued shall not exceed the present value of the aggregate debt service of the bonds to be refunded or repaid.

The method for calculating present value shall be determined by law.

## Use of moneys received

The moneys received by the state from the sale of bonds sold pursuant to this act shall be expended pursuant to appropriations for capital projects related to design, planning, site acquisition, demolition, construction, reconstruction, and rehabilitation projects specified in section two of this act.

This act shall take effect immediately, provided that the provisions of section one of this act shall not take effect unless and until this act shall have been submitted to the people at the general election to be held in November 2022 and shall have been approved by a majority of all votes cast for and against it at such general election.

Upon approval by the people, section one of this act shall take effect immediately.

The ballots to be furnished for the use of voters upon submission of this act shall be in the form prescribed by the election law and the proposition or question to be submitted shall be printed thereon in the following form, namely "To address and combat the impact of climate change and damage to the environment, the "Clean Water, Clean Air, and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022" authorizes the sale of state bonds up to \$4,200,000,000 to fund environmental protection, natural restoration, resiliency, and clean energy projects. Shall the Environmental Bond Act of 2022 be approved?"

## DECISION 2022

# Local voters to choose from new players

Controversial redistricting reshapes town's political field, for now

**BETHLEHEM** — Assemblywoman Patricia Fahy stood in the afternoon sun behind a podium just outside the Glenmont Roundabout, attending a flag-raising ceremony meant to mark the end of a profound project in a legislative district she will soon no longer oversee.

"Unless something else changes," she said, turning back to her fellow politicians with a hint of doubt.

Since the Independent Redistricting Commission revised state Senate and Assembly's legislative maps, the process has been deliberated in courtrooms over whether it followed the rules. New lines for the senate were tossed just a few months later. A similar suit ultimately decided the same for the assembly lines, but not in enough time to affect this year's political races.

All members of the State Assembly are running for re-election. Next January, her 109th District seat will retain New Scotland and parts of Guilderland, but pulls her out from Bethlehem completely to focus more on the City of Albany. That's how the district will be defined for at least the next two years, according to a court ruling earlier this year.

What happens in 2024, is still up in the air. For now, Fahy is running to keep her seat in the Assembly. The Democrat faces a race against Republican challenger Alicia Purdy to be decided outside of Bethlehem.

The State Assembly's new map breaks the town into two separate districts, shifting representation from Democrat to Republican.

Assembly District 107 now absorbs Delmar and North Bethlehem, running a southern border along Crebel Road, cutting across the back end of Elm Estates and stretching west along Feura Bush Road before adopting the town's western most border.

Delmar is now included in the predominantly rural communities of Rensselaer, Columbia and Washington counties of the current 107th District represented by Republican Jake Ashby. In May, the Castleton native

declared his candidacy for the reconfigured 43rd Senate District, leaving his Assembly seat open to an unopposed contest with fellow Republican Scott H. Bendett the de facto successor.

The rest of Bethlehem — notably South Bethlehem and Selkirk — now falls upon Republican Chris Tague's seat in the 102nd District.

## Races on this year's ballot

### Christopher Tague, R

Tague, formerly Schoharie's town supervisor, is no stranger to issues related to rural communities. Within the state's lower house, South Bethlehem's interests will no longer compete against those of the City of Albany, but they will be included with the likes of Otsego County, the Catskills and everywhere in between.

He was first elected to the New York State Assembly in April 2018, then reelected to serve a full term the following November, serving all of Greene and Schoharie counties, along with parts of Delaware, Columbia, Albany, Otsego and Ulster counties.

His platform focuses on expanding access to broadband internet in rural communities, COVID-19 recovery, reducing taxes, providing support for local farmers, infrastructure and heroin addiction.

Tague's challenger on this year's ballot is Democrat Nicholas Chase.

### Nicholas Chase, D

The Delaware County teacher announced his run for the Assembly in March, pitching a platform that leads with education and follows with agriculture, energy, guns, healthcare and infrastructure.

The 21-year-old newcomer is otherwise employed as a full-time substitute teacher, an experience he has said he draws from to push for more funding for education. His stance against guns also includes introducing background checks and mild regulations for gun owners.

Another local race captured on the ballot for Bethlehem voters includes longtime Democrat representative, state Senator Neil Breslin challenged by Republican Richard Amedure.

### Neil Breslin, D

Neil Breslin, Democrat, is currently serving as New York State Senator representing the 44th District, which consists of parts of Albany County and parts of Rensselaer County. Born as one of six children, Neil is a lifelong resident of Albany.

On academic scholarship, Breslin attended Fordham College from which he graduated with a BS degree in Political Science. While in law school at the University of Toledo, he was named the editor-in-chief of the Law Review. Upon graduation from law school, he became an associate in the firm of Garry Cahill & Edmunds and two years later became a partner in a new firm entitled Garry, Cahill, Edmunds & Breslin. In 1981, he formed a partnership with his two brothers, Michael and Thomas. Currently, Neil practices law as "of counsel" to the firm of Barclay Damon, LLP.

Breslin currently serves as Co-Chair of the Legislative Ethics Commission and is a member of the Legislative Commission on Rural Resources.

Breslin appears on this year's ballot under both the Democratic and Working Families lines.

### Richard Amedure Jr., R

Richard Amedure is running for State Senate in the 46th District, appearing on both the Republican and Conservative lines on this year's ballot.

A longtime resident of Rensselaerville, Amedure served on its planning board for several years. Through this and his own efforts as the owner of a small farm, he's claims a positive reputation for his efforts to preserve green space and maintain the local character of the town.

Amedure served in the military, and for 30 years as a state trooper. Along the way, he earned several distinctions for valor while on-duty and recently retired as First Vice President of the New York State Troopers Police Benevolent Association.

Amedure is campaigning against the bail and discovery reform laws, which he said is "devastating... to our communities and to law enforcement." His platform also includes plans to advocate on behalf of family farms, small businesses to grow the local economy.



## ■ DECISION 2022

# Race to state Supreme Court

Each of three vacant seats on state's lower court carries a 14-year term

**ALBANY** — Four candidates are vying for three seats on the state Supreme Court in the seven-county Third Judicial District.

Two Democrats from Sullivan County, District Attorney Meagan Galligan and Sharon Graff, and Columbia County attorney Heidi Cochrane received the Democratic Party nomination while Cohoes Judge Tom Marcelle received that of the Republican Party.

The Third Judicial District encompasses Albany, Rensselaer, Columbia, Greene, Schoharie, Sullivan and Ulster counties. The Supreme Court is the highest trial level court in the state and judges, who serve 14-year terms, hear both civil and criminal trials.

## Heidi Cochrane

The former school teacher and Albany Law School grad has been a trial attorney for 16 years. Her practice includes civil litigation, family law and criminal defense. She is a member of various bar associates as well as the NAACP, the ACLU and the Southern Poverty Law Center.

After graduating from law school, she began her legal career as an associate with Kindlon Shanks in Albany and was an assistant Greene County and Columbia attorney. She started her own practice in 2007.

According to her website she would work to “expedite cases and curtail exploitative legal maneuvers that cause unnecessary delays,” believes the courts must be free of prejudice and everyone should be provided equal access to justice; and every person deserves to be treated with dignity and understanding.

She is endorsed by the Democratic Parties of each county as well as the Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation, Eleanor's Legacy and College Democrats of New York.

## Meagan Galligan

The Georgetown University Law Center graduate was appointed to Sullivan County District Attorney in 2020 and was elected later that same year becoming the first woman elected to that position. Prior to that, she worked in the DA's office in various capacities since 2009.

She is a founding member

of the Sullivan County Child Advocacy Center and serves on the boards of Hope not Handcuffs of Sullivan County, is a member of the Sullivan County Opioid Epidemic Drug Task Force Team and was the chief prosecutor for the Sullivan County Family Violence Response Team.

“Our judiciary is charged with providing all litigants before it the opportunity to be heard before a Court that is, first and foremost, fair and impartial. Judges must act with honesty and integrity in all matters,” she stated on her website. “These values are paramount to me, both personally and professionally, and underpin my candidacy for Supreme Court.”

She is endorsed by the Democratic Party committees of each county as well as the Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation, the Liberty Police Benevolent Association, the Fallsburg PBA and College Democrats of New York.

## Sharon Graff

She grew up in Central New York and began her law career in 1998 at a product liability and personal injury firm in Manhattan. In 2001, she began Graff Law in Kingston, where she litigated a wide range of cases including business disputes, property rights, divorce and child support and bankruptcies.

Since 2018, she has been the principal court attorney to Supreme Court Judge Julian D. Schreiber of the state Supreme Court.

While attending law school, Graff volunteered for the Migrant Farm Workers Project and clerked for the ACLU Women's Rights Project and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of New York.

She is endorsed by the Democratic Parties of each county, Capital Women, College Democrats of New York,

## Tom Marcelle

The Delmar resident and Cornell Law school graduate began his legal career as an assistant public defender and served as trial counsel for the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. Prior to becoming a judge in the City of Cohoes, the Republican also worked for the Democratic-dominated Albany County and as chief counsel to Albany County Sheriff Craig Apple. In his time on the bench he published more

than 30 opinion cited more than 250 times by other courts.

In 2001, he argued before the highest court in the land, the U.S. Supreme Court, and won the case of the Good News Club v. Milford Central School District, which gave religious school groups the same standing as non-religious clubs on school property.

As a Cohoes judge, he was the first judge in the state to rule the controversial 2019 bail reform legislation violated the state's constitution.

“I have spent my entire life as an upstate New Yorker. It is where I, along with my wife Elena, have raised our three amazing children,” he said on his website. “I continue to be a part of the surrounding communities and I have always successfully worked with everyone to solve issues regardless of political affiliation.”

He is endorsed by the counties Republican Partys as well as a host of judges and law enforcement personnel including Apple, former Court of Appeals Judge Victoria Graffeo, Former Court of Appeals Judge and former Ulster County DA Michael Kavanagh, former Appellate Division Judge Bud Malone, the New York Rifle and Pistol Association and the New York State Law Enforcement Officers Union.

Prior to Election Day on Tuesday, Nov. 8, early voting begins on Saturday, Oct. 8, and continues through Sunday, Nov. 6. Polls are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday through Sunday. They are open noon to 8 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday.

Any registered voter in Albany County can vote at the following locations:

- Albany County Board of Elections at 260 South Pearl St. in Albany.
- Berne Volunteer Fire Company at 30 Canaday Hill Road in Berne
- Bethlehem Lutheran Church at 85 Elm Ave. in Bethlehem
- North Bethlehem Fire Department at 589 Russell Road in Albany
- Pine Grove United Methodist Church at 1580 Central Ave. in Colonie
- Boght Community Fire Department at 8 Preston Drive in Cohoes
- Guilderland Public Library at 2228 Western Ave. in Guilderland.

# Proposition Two on the ballot

**SELKIRK** — Wednesday night's Town Board meeting ran a bit long — three hours long — as both sides of the argument surrounding the Town purchasing 300 acres of local farm and woodlands pled their case on Oct. 26.

Steve Wickham, who moved from Guilderland to Bethlehem last year with his wife, said he recognized some similarities between the two neighboring towns. He had lived in Guilderland for 20 years, the last few as chairperson of the Guilderland Coalition for Responsible Growth.

“And one of the refrains from the residents in Guilderland that I heard over and over again was we don't want to be like Colonie,” he told Bethlehem Town Board members. “And then after moving here, I hear over and over again, we don't want to be like Guilderland.”

The Town Board is considering the purchase of more than 300 acres of farm and woodlands — including three of the four corners at the Route 9W and Wemple Road intersection — at an apparent \$1 million discount.

Under Proposition 2, the Town would purchase 307 acres land with \$3 million coming from various municipal funds, avoiding a municipal bond or any additional taxes. The aggregate value of the nine parcels was appraised at \$4,032,500 in February by Schecter Valuation Services, LLC, a company commissioned by the Town.

Among the nine parcels in consideration is the historic Heath's Dairy Farm on the northeast corner of Route 9W and Wemple Road. The family farm once provided a farm store and home milk delivery since it first opened for business in 1920. Before closing in 1987, area school children would visit the farm as a lesson to learn where their milk comes from. Town records confirmed that the surrounding fields have been used for agriculture since the Revolutionary War, but it's believed the lands have been farmed for quite longer.

One of two 11-acre lots along Wemple Road would connect to an 8-acre piece of landlocked property the Town purchased in 2019. This would halt further development from occurring along the southern corner of Wemple Road, west of Route 9W. Construction on a 96-unit multifamily development is underway just across the street.

The largest of the parcels includes a 122-acre lot adjacent to the Van Rensselaer Forest Wildlife Preserve managed by the First Reformed Dutch Church of Bethlehem on Route 9W, extending east beyond the New York state Thruway.

Town Supervisor David VanLuven said the land purchase would be one of the most significant farmland conservation efforts in Hudson Valley area. An environment advocate before joining the Town Board six years ago, he said in June that the idea had aligned with the Town's long-term goal for greenspace preservation.

Since the land purchase was first proposed in May, the Town has garnered apparent support from half a dozen entities, including the American Farmland Trust, Scenic Hudson and the New York League of Conservation Voters.

The Albany County Farm Bureau contends that the fund is being misappropriated to preserve open space, not to save farmland. Its representatives point out that the fund was intended for tax easements and not land purchases.

The local branch of the statewide lobby group has also issued a dissension against the plan, arguing that the move will take needed taxes away from the Ravena Coeymans Selkirk School District while describing a “vagueness” surrounding the Town's plans overall.

“People in this town want to preserve open space. Can anyone really say they're against open space?” asked Nancy Neff, a member of the farm bureau. “The problem is that the only funding available is restricted to farmland. So in an effort to acquire open space, we are robbing the overindulged fund that was conveniently established to purchase conservation easements on active private farmland.”

■ BUSINESS SHORTS

**2022 Albany Prize Awarded for Pivotal Discoveries in Gene Regulation**

**ALBANY** — The 2022 Albany Medical Center Prize in Medicine and Biomedical Research has been awarded to two world-renowned scientists whose work has yielded groundbreaking biomedical and genetic discoveries with strong implications for the treatment of cancer, congenital diseases, and neurological disorders.

C. David Allis, PhD, Joy and Jack Fishman Professor and head of the Laboratory of Chromatin Biology and Epigenetics at The Rockefeller University, New York City; and Michael Grunstein, PhD, distinguished professor emeritus, Department of Biological Chemistry at the David Geffen School of Medicine, University of California, Los Angeles were named as award recipients.

Drs. Allis and Grunstein received the award for their pioneering work in defining the relationship between chromosomal histone modifications and gene expression, and in linking these

basic science discoveries to human biology and disease.

**Plug reflects potential timing, supply chain impact**

**LATHAM** — Plug Power Inc., a leading provider of turnkey hydrogen solutions for the global green hydrogen economy, provides revenue expectations update for 2022. The company believes that its prior full-year 2022 revenue guidance of \$900-\$925M could be 5 to 10 percent lower for the year. The revenue impact reflects some larger projects potentially being completed in 2023 instead of 2022 due to timing and broader supply chain issues. While revenue could be lower than previously anticipated in 2022, demand for the fuel cell applications and electrolyzer business remains robust.

The company recently became aware of the potential impact on its full-year 2022 revenue and believes it is prudent to update stakeholders.

**UAlbany researchers awarded \$1.4M**

**ALBANY** — Researchers

from The RNA Institute have been awarded \$1.4 million to investigate stress-induced RNA modifications and associated cell response. The focus of the study — “wobble uridines” in tRNA — could hold important clues for treating bacterial infections and detecting cancer.

To lay the groundwork, Thomas Begley, co-principal investigator on the grant and associate director of The RNA Institute in the College of Arts and Sciences, reviewed some basic biology:

DNA is made up of standard base pairs. Adenine (A) pairs with thymine (T), and guanine (G) pairs with cytosine (C). Ribonucleic acid (RNA) is similar, but instead of thymine, RNA has uracil (U) which pairs with adenine (A). A “wobble base pair” in RNA is one that deviates from the standard pairings.

“Wobble uridines” are a related type of deviation rooted in uracil (U), which can have distinct chemical modifications that make it look different than standard bases.

RNA modifications are common in the body, and some can even promote health. But, Begley explains, like consuming water or nutrients, too much or too little can cause harm.

Prior work has shown that in the case of some bacterial cells, wobble uridines can have a protective effect. Inhibiting this “protection” could become an important new approach for therapeutics.

Understanding mechanisms underlying wobble uridines in bacteria will help the team develop inhibitors and novel molecular tools.

This funding was awarded by the National Institute of General Medical Studies, a branch of the National Institutes of Health.

**Mars, SABIC partner for snack packaging**

**RIYADH, Saudi Arabia** — SABIC, a global leader in the chemical industry has joined forces with MARS and Landbell in an advanced recycling project designed to close the loop on flexible packaging using certified circular polypropylene from the company’s TRUCIRCLE portfolio. In a joint initiative with major market players, biaxially oriented polypropylene film based on SABIC’s certified circular polypropylene from feedstock recycling of post-consumer, used plastics will be introduced by Mars in the packaging of their KIND

primary healthy snack bar brand.

The new mono-material packaging solution continues the partners’ efforts to support a circular economy by incorporating advanced recycled content in healthy snack bar packaging.


The loop starts with the collection of mixed-used plastics coordinated by Landbell Group, a leading provider of environmental and chemical compliance services. Landbell works with Hündgen Entsorgung to sort the mixed-used plastics and delivers the mixed material to Plastic Energy, a global leader in advanced recycling technology, where it is converted to pyrolysis oil, called TACOIL, through their patented TAC process (thermal anaerobic conversion). The pyoil serves as an alternative feedstock in SABIC’s production process of virgin-quality food-contact approved polypropylene polymer, which is pelletized and supplied to Taghleef Industries, a world-leading provider of biaxially oriented polypropylene film.

The joint initiative will help the partners implement their ambitious targets of reducing the volume of fossil-sourced plastics and accelerating the transition to a more circular plastics economy.

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**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**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

150E78 PH OWNER II LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/19/22. 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 Wexler & Kaufman PLLC, One Penn Plaza, Suite 3406, New York, NY 10119. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299732

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

150E78 PH OWNER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/19/22. 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 Wexler & Kaufman PLLC, One Penn Plaza, Suite 3406, New York, NY 10119. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299733

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**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 des-

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ignated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 249 Mayfair Drive North, Brooklyn, NY 11234. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298600

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

401 REALTY GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/21/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of

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process to the LLC, P.O. Box 190386, Brooklyn, NY 11219. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299789

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

42 MERSEREAU 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, 216 Melba Street, Staten Island, NY 10314. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299473

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

63-02 WETHEROLE 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-297483

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**Notice of formation**

of 956 Western Avenue LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 10/20/22. Office location: Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 960 Western Avenue, Albany, New York 12203. Purposes: any lawful activity. D-299311

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

9613 FLATLANDS AVENUE 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, 1415 E. 69th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11234. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299465

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

A. FONTANA & SONS BUILDING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/18/17. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 11 Cambridge Court, Manalapan, NJ 07726. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299459

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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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ALATI NYC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/18/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 35 West 20th Street, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299456

**Legal Notice**

BETHELEHEM CEMETERY ASSOCIATION, INC.'S ANNUAL LOT OWNERS MEETING - November 7, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, NY. Those wishing to vote must contact the Cemetery office by November 1, 2022, at 518-439-2394 for ownership verification. D-298934

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

AP CASTELL CONSULTING, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/15/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Adriana Castell, 36 Beacon Lane, Matawan, NJ 07747. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299036

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BABANAPPA 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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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, 100

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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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BROOKLYN FIVE NINE 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, 221 Jefferson Avenue, Apartment 5, Miami Beach, NY 33139. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298558

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CHANNEL 5 ADVISORS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/21/22. 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, 175 Spencer Street, #1B, Brooklyn, NY 11205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299787

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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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CHS RECOVERY PARTNERS HICKSVILLE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/18/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 100

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Granny Road, Suite 1, Farmingdale, NY 11738. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299457

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CRESCENT AQ LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/20/22. 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, 23-71 Crescent Street, Astoria, NY 11105. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299753

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CSS 200 CENTRAL PARK SOUTH, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/18/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 80 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1101, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299684

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CSS NOMAD, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/18/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 80 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1101, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299680

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CSS STUYTOWN, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/18/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 80 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1101, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299681

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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 PLLC FORMATION**

DAYANA JIMENEZ, Psy.D. PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/17/21. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, c/o Dr. Dayana Jimenez, 6 East 39th Street, Suite 800, Office T, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Psychology. D-299671

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**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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ELEVEN S PORT 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, 11A S. Portland Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11217. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-298605

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

FLATTS HOLDINGS 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, 132 Amity Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299567

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

GEORGIAN FOOD LINE 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, 6401 24th Avenue, Apartment G5, Brooklyn, NY 11204. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299458

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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**

JAY AND QUIMBY PRODUCTIONS, 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, c/o Herzog & Sheffield, P.C., 59 John Street, Suite 9B, New York, NY 10038. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299460

**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

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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**

L Y S M, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/13/22. 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, 8801 Shore Road, #6DE, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299472

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

LABOGRUP 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 Ac-cutime, 1001 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10018. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297644

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

LAND OF THE BIG MAN, 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, 1972 New Scotland Road, Suite 515, Slingerlands, NY 12159. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299471

**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**

LPRK 30654, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/20/22. 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 Miyang Park, 450 7th

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Avenue, Suite 1304, New York, NY 10123. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299760

**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**

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

**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 BOND RESOLUTION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the resolution published herewith has been adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Slingerlands Fire District in the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland, Albany County, New York (the "Fire District") on the 11th day of October 2022. Such resolution was adopted subject to mandatory referendum and such resolution was duly approved at the referendum held by the Fire District on Tuesday, November 29, 2022, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if: (1) (a) Such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Fire District is not authorized to expend money, or (b) the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice; or (2) such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution of New York.

**SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION**

The following is a summary of a resolution

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adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Fire District on October 11, 2022. Said resolution authorizes the issuance and sale of a serial bond or bonds and a bond anticipation note or notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of said serial bonds, in an amount not to exceed \$695,000. The proceeds from the sale of the obligations authorized in said resolution shall be used for the specific purpose of financing the acquisition of a fire truck. The maximum estimated cost of the fire truck is not to exceed \$995,000. The plan of financing is to apply an amount not to exceed \$300,000 from the Fire District's Equipment Reserve Fund or the receipt of a grant to pay a portion of the acquisition cost. The period of probable usefulness for said purpose is twenty (20) years. A copy of the resolution summarized herein is available for public inspection during normal business hours at Slingerlands Fire District located in the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland, New York. D-299365

**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**

PARSONS 82 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/24/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, PO Box 320195, Brooklyn, NY 11232. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299790

**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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

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

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

**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, Syosset, NY 11791. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-297573

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

REMESH 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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

SHOU-AN LIU, 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, 7600 Jericho Turnpike, Suite 200, Woodbury, NY 11797. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299579

**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 LLC FORMATION**

SPANISH POINT HOLDINGS 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, 132 Amity Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299658

**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

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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 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;

(b) that the amount of not to exceed \$1,000,000 from the District's "Building Project Reserve Fund-2017" is hereby authorized to be expended to pay for a portion of the cost of the Project and further that the amount of not to exceed \$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 the cost of the Project; (c) that a tax is hereby voted in the amount of not to exceed \$20,776,063 to pay the balance of the cost of the Project, 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. Such Propositions shall appear on the ballots used for voting at said Special District Meeting in substantially the following condensed forms:

**BOND PROPOSITION YES NO**

(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 YES NO**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Voorheesville Central School District, in the County of Albany, New York, (the

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terminated 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.

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"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 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 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 currently 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

## From page 1 ... Mohawk Hudson Humane Society

One potential answer, being explored by Sheriff Craig Apple, includes converting an old garage at the jail in Colonie into kennels, and having the inmates help care for the animals.

It is, by state law, a municipalities' responsibility to find a suitable home for animals in its custody. State law also dictates the manner in which the animals are kept. For years, the go to for police departments in Albany and Rensselaer counties has been the MHHS. But, earlier this month, the shelter with a home in Menands said it is cancelling the contracts with 15 municipalities because it doesn't have the space or resources to deal with the spike in animal intakes.

"This year, MHHS is projected to intake 1,198 dogs, that is 29 percent more than 2021," according to a statement by the society. "The average length of stay for each dog is 24 days. Stray animals and animal cruelty cases are only expected to increase in 2023. MHHS is unable to safely shelter that many dogs."

At the end of the year, 15 municipal police departments will have to either care for the stray and abused/neglected animals themselves or find another place to take them. Whatever the alternative, it will likely be more costly than MHHS. Right now, the municipalities pay MHHS \$100 to take a dog for the first day and \$70 per day after that for five days while it is technically the municipalities' responsibility. After five days, if nobody claims the animal, ownership is transferred to MHHS which then must cover the costs of veterinary care, food and handling of the animals, including providing 35 minutes a day of enrichment time.

"In order to adopt the dog

out, you have to have a vet look at the dog, the dog will have to have certain shots and there has to be a behavioral analysis done. And that doesn't include caring for the animals prior to adoption. I don't know how we are going to do all that. It is going to be a huge cost to the municipalities if we have to do it. Are we going to have to euthanize healthy dogs?" said Bethlehem Police Cmdr. Michael Cozzy. "This is going to be potentially disastrous if municipalities can't come up with solutions and I don't know if we can get a solution in three months."

Bethlehem police took 26 dogs to MHHS over the past calendar year and pay on average between \$10,000 and \$12,000 a year. But, Bethlehem is just one of 15 municipalities who will see their contract end at the end. And dogs are just one type of animal brought to MHHS by municipal police departments.

In 2021, Colonie brought 101 dogs and cats — alive and deceased — to MHHS and paid \$15,595, said Lt. Daniel Belles. Earlier this year, Colonie "forged a relationship with Boght Veterinary Clinic to take in some of our animals."

So far this year, Colonie took 26 animals to Boght Vet at a cost of \$695 and 65 animals have been brought to MHHS for a total cost of \$6,250, Belles said.

"While we do not use their facility exclusively for all animal needs, they are one of the providers that we relied on quite often, and we have enjoyed our working relationship for many years," he said. "We are exploring what options we have available to us for next year. Our goal is to provide uninterrupted quality care for animals, especially those that



**A puppy sits inside a cage at Mohawk Hudson Human Society. Albany County Sheriff Craig Apple is considering plans to convert part of the jail into a help care for stray animals. Officials from the human society said they would be willing to help, but warn it could be both costly and difficult to maintain. "It could be good for municipalities, it could be good for the animals and it will keep the inmates busy and when they are busy they aren't planning to escape or thinking about other things like hurting a [corrections officer] or each other," Apple said. "But it is nothing I can do tomorrow."**

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are abused and neglected, so we will make all efforts to ensure this happens. At this time, there is no clear solution."

Other municipalities that will see their contracts expire at the end of 2022 include New Scotland, Guelderland, Knox, and a number in Rensselaer County.

In 2017, MHHS opened a new \$7.2 million, 32,000-square-foot facility off Broadway in Menands after it outgrew its old building.

"My real issue with MHHS is they just built the \$7.2 million building and they don't have room for more than 86 animals. Isn't that the whole point of the building?" Cozzy said. "They said they will help us, but by law the municipalities are responsible for the animal and MHHS is not. It's a wonderful facility

and they give us three months to find something else. This is lunacy. There are going to be dogs running loose everywhere."

Whitney Philippi, the vice president for development at MHHS, said the contracts call for 30-day notice to cancel and the main issue with the municipal contracts is the spike in the number of animals and limited physical capacity.

"The number of intakes this year have risen pretty drastically, and it is across New York state and we can't safely shelter that many animals going forward," she said. "We chose those 15 because some have three animals a year and some have 30 versus Albany or Troy who have hundreds and it will be easier for them to find alternatives for their sheltering needs and we are working with

the larger ones going forward. Ultimately, we would like to see more kenneling options in the area."

## Inmates and pets

The state law that specifically holds the local municipality responsible for the animals does not apply to counties, but Apple said he is exploring the possibility of converting a large garage at the jail into a kennel for the municipalities in Albany County.

And, he said, there is a ready source of labor to help care for the animals — the inmates.

He said the idea has been bantered about for a few years but was put on hold — like the rest of the world — during COVID. Now, though, it is back on the front burner.

In the rural areas, dogs and domestic animals are an issue but so are horses, cows and sheep. The county is currently building a facility to house those and other types of farm animals but dogs and cats will become a problem for municipalities in two months.

His project is logical on its face but it is not an inexpensive endeavor considering the state rules and regulations it will need to follow including veterinary care. He said recently his deputies conducted an eviction and while nobody was at the apartment there were two kittens left behind. They took the kittens to a vet and received a \$1,700 bill that was negotiated down to \$1,400.

"We were trying to do the right thing here and we got a \$1,700 bill and that was for two small cats. What is going to happen when you get the cat hoarder or the dog hoarder. It's going to be brutal," he said. "When times get tough, one of the first things people do is putting their dogs up for adoption because they can't afford to feed it or care for it and where do the dogs and cats go and who cares for them."

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# Sorry, that was no endorsement

The optics of last week's front page could not be worse. To dismiss it without an explanation is an insult to our readers, to all journalists, and my anger can not be overstated.

What is the answer?

That was the headline I crafted for the article I composed regarding Bethlehem's Proposition 2. I have finite real estate to create a compelling headline for each article. In five words or less, I'm employed with luring the reader in, never giving up the ghost, and enticing them to read the article. The answer was to be found somewhere within the 800-word article. The information was there left for readers to decide for themselves — as with every news article — what was most important.

We are like every other newspaper that struggles to remain relevant within our respective communities. This sentence runs through my head like white noise as we repeatedly learn of the demise of newspapers across the country: This daily shuttered its newsroom after 150 years; a hedge fund has acquired that weekly newspaper chain, its building and equipment are to be sold off, its staff sent packing.

As you read this, I don't have a reporter. My award-winning newsroom —



dedicated to The Spotlight, The Colonie Spotlight and The Spot 518 — is empty. The Spotlight of the 90s had three times as many staffers. Advertisers relied on us to reach local consumers. Residents bought classified ads to announce garage sales. Voters submitted letters to the editor to voice their concerns about Town Hall. We don't live in the same world anymore.

The Pew Research Center published a study that found only three out of 10 people read beyond the

headline. A separate study also found that seven out of 10 people don't trust the media. I don't believe there's a coincidence here.

There's been a painful development over recent years, where social media captures an article, along with a picture and headline, and force-feeds it onto your phone. Depending on what you like, share and click, Facebook develops an algorithm that fits your habits and political views. What eventually happens is you're surrounded by an echo chamber that

repeats what you already believe and shields you from learning the merits of differing views.

Regardless, our headline asked a question and it was seemingly answered by a "Vote Yes!" advertisement. Our outsourced printer who is responsible for placing the Ad-Note stickers often slaps them on with all the haste of a tedious job and with disregard for the traditional elements of a newspaper's front page. Last week, they purposefully wedged the 3-inch by 3-inch ad in the tight margin immediately after the question on each edition I've observed.

After receiving my copy of the paper in the mail, I spent the next few days figuring out what to do next. I reached out to sources and to my predecessors, apologizing. It was a complete miscarriage of our responsibility as a community newspaper. We are supposed to be your town crier, your political advocate and your community watchdog. Not just for the Democrats. Not just for the Republicans. Because it is the right thing to do.

Trite as it may read, that is the basic principle behind what we do. There are other vocations within our community in which individuals are asked to embrace a similar sort of conviction. For my role,

it has helped me through the tough conversations with local leaders and the sleepless nights that followed. And in between, every argument I have had with my wife over the consequences we both feared would follow, I've answered in the same way: It is my responsibility.

The apparent marriage between that ad next to our headline was not planned ahead of time. That's not my argument, though. That's what was explained to me after a strong protest to our publisher. My argument is that political ads of any nature have no place on the front page.

Benjamin Franklin, who helped start the concept of a public library because he believed such access to an education benefited the community, once said, "By failing to plan, you are preparing to fail." The integrity of all of this newsroom's work, the bulk of which is now near impossible to accomplish, has been destroyed because there was a failure to plan. As a result, seven out of 10 people didn't read past that sticker.

My apology goes out to any reader who thought our front page was an endorsement. It wasn't.

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# Rethinking Thanksgiving

Is there more to the story of Thanksgiving than the traditional narrative?

The answer is a resounding yes, as told from the Native American perspective. This lively, informative in-person presentation on Sunday, Nov. 6, at 2 p.m. will highlight actual events from Plymouth in 1621; the relationship between the English settlers and the Wampanoag; and how this story evolved into the holiday we know today.

Presenter Perry Ground is a Turtle Clan member of the Onondaga Nation of the Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) Confederacy. He has been a storyteller and educator for over 25 years and enjoys teaching all ages about the history and culture of Native Peoples. This program is recommended for Grade 4 through adult. Please register on the Events tab of [guilderlandlibrary.org](http://guilderlandlibrary.org).

## Early General Election Voting

Polls are open through Sunday, Nov. 6 for Early General Election voting in our Helderberg Room:  
Saturdays & Sundays: 9



a.m.-5 p.m.

Mondays & Wednesdays: 12 to 8 p.m.

Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Election Day polls are open Tuesday, Nov. 8 from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.

## Volunteer Service Project

During the holiday season especially, we're all encouraged to give back. On Wednesday, Nov. 9, at 6:30 p.m., grades 6-12 can earn a community service hour by making cards for the Guilderland Food Pantry to give out in their Thanksgiving meal baskets. Please sign up in advance online to participate.

## Family Literacy Program

One of our favorite early

literacy advocates, WMHT's Barbara Lukas, returns for an evening of family fun on Monday, Nov. 7 at 6 p.m. Each participant will get a free copy of the book "Barn Dance" by John Archambault and Bill Martin, Jr. We'll also complete hands-on literacy activities and an owl headband craft. Please register on the Events tab of our website.

## Teen Tech Help Desk

National Honor Society students from Guilderland High School are offering tech help to our patrons on Thursday, Nov. 10, from 4 to 6 p.m. Drop in for help with smartphone applications, downloading books to devices, email set-up, and internet searches on computers and personal devices. Since no appointment is needed, please limit your session if others are waiting for assistance.

— Luanne Nicholson

# 3D printing is back

In 2014, we added a MakerBot 3D printer to our collection of tech tools. It was one of the first 3D printers in the area available to the public, and it saw steady use, from everyday tinkerers to library programs for children and adults.

We have to admit, that original MakerBot was a workhorse, even churning out dozens of specialty pieces for face shields to be used by front line workers in the early days of the pandemic.

As we prepared to reopen our Studio Makerspace this summer, there was a renewed interest in bringing back the 3D printer. Sadly, our eight-year-old MakerBot had given us all it had and could not be brought back online. With demand for 3D printing still high, we decided to replace that trusty original with a sleek new MakerBot Method.

The MakerBot Method is just as user-friendly as the original with some notable improvements, including dissolvable supports, a non-stick build plate, enclosed build space, video monitoring and



more.

Our new 3D printer has both practical and whimsical applications. Bring your ideas to life when you use it to print spare parts or tools, jewelry, home decor, figurines and so much more. Build your own 3D files or download a ready-to-print file from [www.thingiverse.com](http://www.thingiverse.com).

The MakerBot Method is part of a collection of tech tools available through our Studio Makerspace, where you'll also find a FASTphoto scanner, podcasting and video equipment, a VHS-to-DVD convertor and more.

Studio Makerspace time can be booked in two-hour blocks on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays up to two weeks out through our Book a Space webpage at [www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org](http://www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org).

## Learn about NPR's Founding Mothers

You're invited to an enlightening hour with highly acclaimed writer, journalist, broadcaster and speaker Lisa Napoli as she discusses her group biography of the four women whose voices defined NPR, "Susan, Linda, Nina, and Cokie: The Extraordinary Story of the Founding Mothers of NPR." This virtual author talk, facilitated as part of the Library Speakers Consortium, takes place Wednesday, Nov. 2, at 4 p.m.

Hear Napoli's captivating account of these four women, their deep and enduring friendships, and the trail they blazed to becoming icons. They had radically different stories. Based on extensive interviews and calling on the author's deep connections in news and public radio, this book is as beguiling and sharp as its formidable subjects.

— Kristen Roberts

# Teen Time: Game Day

Students in grades 6 and up are invited to come to the library at 3 p.m., Friday, Nov. 4, to celebrate International Games Week. We'll play Switch videogames on the big screen, geeky tabletop games, and group games. Snacks will be provided. Please register online.

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## Teens Care Community Service

Community service certificates will be provided for students in grades 8 and up who participate in "Hatsgiving". Join us at 2 p.m., Friday, Nov. 11, to machine-sew fleece hats for pediatric cancer patients. We'll be serving cookies and cocoa, to make you even sweeter. Please register online, so we know how many cookies we'll need.

## Book Talks

We'll be discussing these books in November: Fiction Book Discussion - "Winter Counts" by David Heska Wanbi Weiden, 11 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 16; Nonfiction Book Discussion - "susan, linda, nina & cokie" by Lisa Napoli, 1 p.m. and/or 6:30 p.m., Monday, November 14;

All discussions will be held in the library community room, unless otherwise stated. Please register online each month for any of these book discussions. Limited copies of some titles are available for \$5, compliments of the Friends of the Library. Library copies will also be available for checkout and downloadable ebook and audiobook versions are on Overdrive.

## Winter Boutique Donations Needed

The Friends of the Library are looking for donations for the annual Winter Boutique. They are looking for: jewelry, purses, wallets, winter linens, ornaments, frames, decorative serving dishes, scarves, hats, and gloves. They will be accepting donations on Monday, Nov. 28 - Wednesday, Nov. 30, at the library. Call the library for specific times.

— Lynn Kohler

# Go, Go Gadget

Do you like overcomplicating things? Are you looking for a fun challenge? Rube Goldberg Machines are home-built machines designed to perform simple tasks in a complicated way. Come build one with us on Saturday, Nov. 5, at 2 p.m. and put your engineering and creative skills to the test! Sign up today!

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## RODIN: Discovery of a Masterpiece

Mallory Mortillaro serves as the Curator of Collections for the Hartley Dodge Foundation in Madison, NJ. While she was cataloging the artwork housed inside of the Hartley Dodge Memorial she uncovered a masterpiece that had been lost to the art world since the 1930's. After a year of research, the piece was authenticated as an official work by Auguste Rodin! Mallory will share the story of how a simple art cataloging project evolved into a search for a mysterious piece's provenance, and became one of the biggest art finds in recent history.

Join us virtually on Monday, Nov. 7, at 7 p.m.

Registration is required, [bit.ly/UHLSRodin](http://bit.ly/UHLSRodin)

## Veterans Day

The library will be closed Friday, Nov. 11 in observance of Veterans Day.

Regular hours resume on Saturday, Nov. 12, and electronic downloads are available 24/7!

— Carol Melewski

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### Crime

County jail on other charges, for stealing from Tractor Supply twice in September.

On September 10, police were called to the store after Guillermo Santiago, 50, placed seven Carhartt jackets into a cart, left the store and drove away. Four days later, he returned to the store and put six more Carhartt jackets into a bag and left the store.

After an investigation by detectives identified

Santiago as the suspect, Bethlehem Town Court issued an arrest warrant on September 27. He was at the jail for unrelated charges when Bethlehem police were notified.

Santiago was charged with two counts of petit larceny and the outstanding warrant. He was arraigned by Town Justice Andrew Kirby and turned over to State Police for another outstanding warrant out of Clifton Park. He is scheduled to return to Bethlehem Town Court on Tuesday, November 15.

### Larceny suspect arrested

**GLENMONT** — On Saturday, Oct. 22, an Albany man allegedly filled various reusable shopping bags and backpacks with merchandise from Walmart and left the store without paying.

Police took Julio Vazquez, 47, into custody and transported to the police station where an

investigation determined that he had another outstanding warrant from Guilderland.

He was given an appearance ticket to return to Bethlehem Town Court on Tuesday, Nov. 15 and turned over to Guilderland police.

### Woman arrested on outstanding warrants

**GLENMONT** — Bethlehem police were called to the Glenmont Plaza on Feura Bush Road on Thursday, Oct. 20 at approximately 9:23 p.m. for a report of a woman acting erratically, stumbling and spitting in the parking lot.

When officers arrived, they made contact with a 39-year-old Albany woman. She said that she was going through withdrawals from heroin and fentanyl use and initially refused to provide her name and date of birth.

The woman was later identified and a search found she had numerous outstanding warrants in the area. Bethlehem contacted Guilderland police and they said they would take her

## STORY UPDATE

### Matteson arraigned after indictment for Selkirk stabbing

**SELKIRK** — The man who was arrested for a September 16 stabbing and assault on River Road was arraigned and sent back to jail.

Adam Matteson Jr, 36, of East Greenbush, pleaded not guilty to a six-count indictment before the Albany County Judge Andra Ackerman on October 26, according to Albany County District Attorney David Soares.



MATTESON

The indictment, handed up on October 21, includes one count each of burglary in the first degree, assault in the first degree, assault in the second degree, assault in the third degree, endangering the welfare of a child, and grand larceny in the fourth degree.

The indictment alleges that on or about September 16, Matteson unlawfully entered a location in the Town of Bethlehem, and caused physical injury to two victims. Specifically, the defendant is accused of stabbing one victim, and striking a second victim, in the presence of a child. Additionally, the indictment alleges Matteson stole a vehicle during the early morning hours at a different location in the area the following day. The defendant was remanded to jail without bail.

on the warrant they had. Officers also secured a glass pipe found in her bag for destruction. She was picked up by Guilderland police.

### Tenant assaults landlord

**COEYMANS** — On Saturday, Oct. 15 at approximately 11:02 p.m., Albany County Sheriff's Deputies were called to a Ringwald Road residence for a neighbor dispute.

Upon arrival, deputies found a tenant of the building, Crystalshine Mcewan, 45, upset that her power and water had been shut off. According to reports, Mcewan stated she went to her landlord's door to ask him to turn it back on.

The landlord stated he did not shut them off and Mcewan allegedly punched him in the face.

She was arrested and charged with felony criminal contempt and misdemeanor assault. The victim has an order of protection against her.

Mcewan was given an appearance ticket for Coeymans Town Court for Thursday, Oct. 27.



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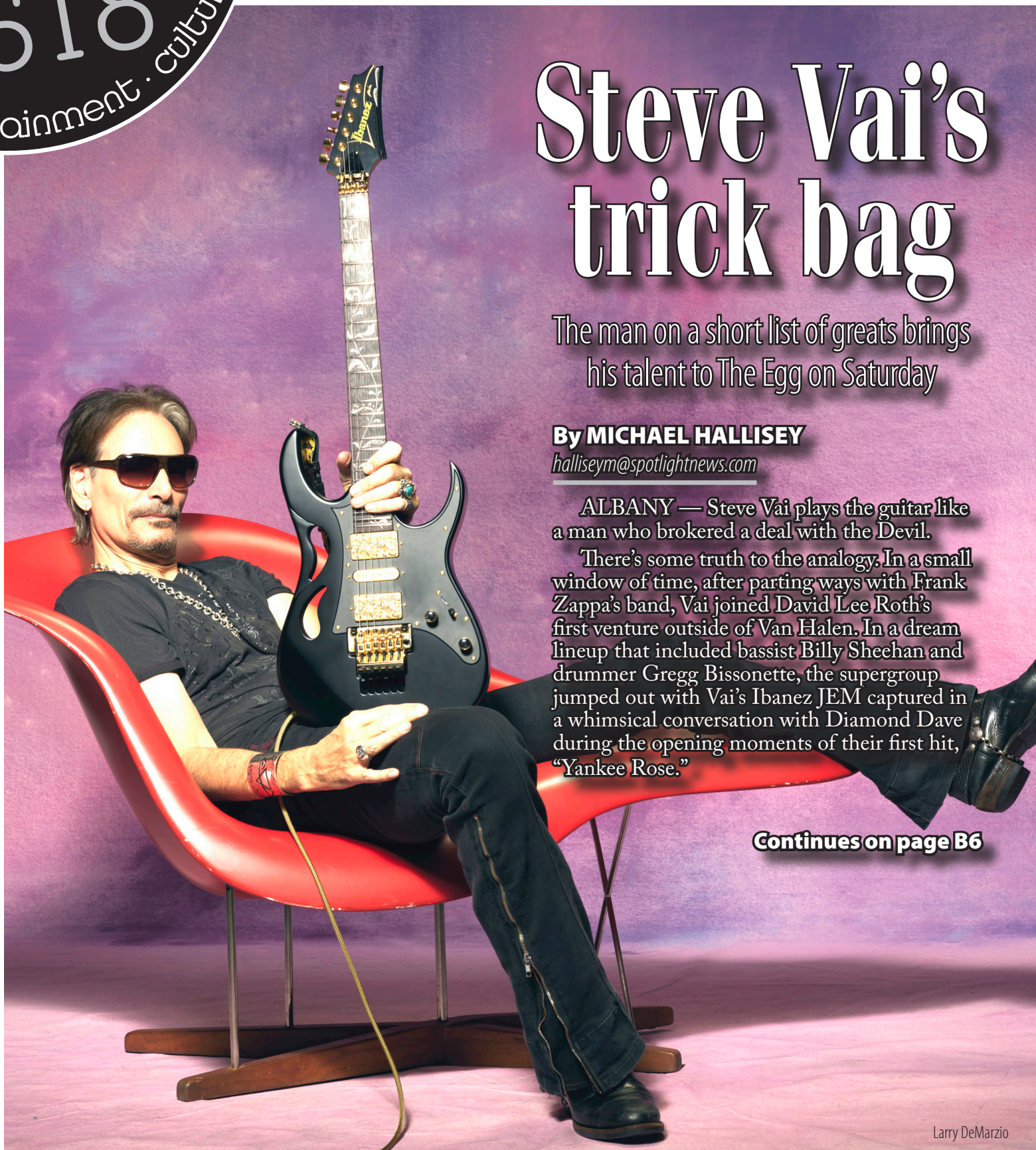
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### Pushing pedals

American Stroke Assoc. helps raise money for research.

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# Steve Vai's trick bag

The man on a short list of greats brings his talent to The Egg on Saturday

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**

[halliseym@spotlightnews.com](mailto:halliseym@spotlightnews.com)

ALBANY — Steve Vai plays the guitar like a man who brokered a deal with the Devil.

There's some truth to the analogy. In a small window of time, after parting ways with Frank Zappa's band, Vai joined David Lee Roth's first venture outside of Van Halen. In a dream lineup that included bassist Billy Sheehan and drummer Gregg Bissonette, the supergroup jumped out with Vai's Ibanez JEM captured in a whimsical conversation with Diamond Dave during the opening moments of their first hit, "Yankee Rose."

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**LOST YOUR HEAD?**

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Michael Hallisey / The Spot 518

**quote of the week**

"The thing that's most fascinating to me is getting a clip or following some of these younger guitar players that are just doing extraordinary things; that just dwarf my technical ability on the instrument. But that's to be expected."




— Steve Vai, guitarist



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Albany Police Athletic League announces 2022 holiday lights show will be virtual

**ALBANY** — The Albany Police Athletic League announced last week an informal agreement with Albany County and the Altamont Fair to present a new and improved Capital Holiday Lights Extravaganza, beginning in November 2023.

While there were several offers from communities and private property owners throughout the region, the right location was difficult to find. Infrastructure needs, such as electric, roadways,

*For 25 years, PAL's holiday lights show has been the premier Capital District event bringing holiday cheer annually to tens of thousands of lights enthusiasts. It is estimated that more than 2 million people have visited the event since its November 1997 debut.*

and aesthetics needed to be addressed; drive-ability, physical improvements, as well as vendor and parking needs were also major concerns.

"We are looking forward to

finalizing an agreement to be the new location for the Capital Holiday Lights show," said Amy Anderson, Manager of the Altamont Fair. "We understand what this beloved show means to the thousands of Capital Region residents who come annually, and we anxiously await the opportunities it will bring to Altamont."

The timing of this agreement, post-Covid employment factors, and the infrastructure needs, make it impossible to present the quality show our supporters expect for 2022. Rather than turning out the lights for the children that we serve, PAL is excited to announce, with longtime community partners,

that the 2022 Price Chopper/Market 32 Capital Holiday Lights event will be remote and will present a nostalgic video for all to enjoy.

"Price Chopper/Market 32 relishes the opportunity to resume title sponsorship of Capital Holiday Lights when it relocates to the Altamont Fairgrounds in 2023," said Mona Golub, Vice President, Public Relations and Consumer Services for Price Chopper/Market 32. "It's a privilege to sponsor one of the region's greatest holiday attractions, which fuels the wonderful youth programming that PAL provides as it entertains thousands of neighbors and friends."

The video will be available for online enjoyment at [www.PALlights.com](http://www.PALlights.com) beginning on Friday, Nov. 25, at 6 pm. The show will have an online presence through January 2.

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event since its November 1997 debut.

The proceeds from this annual event support PAL programming that serves area youth. These programs provide a safe place for city youth to go after school, as well as when school is not in session, helping children engage in positive ways with law enforcement at an early age, and providing life skills and mentorship to help them become successful adults.

"We couldn't let a year go by without a lights show for everyone to enjoy," said retired Albany Police Sgt. Leonard Ricchiuti, "so just as families ordered pizza and came in their pajamas before, we're inviting them to still do that in front of their televisions and keep the spirit of the lights lit while we await a new home for the show. Everything we've done for the last 25 years will need to be rerouted, refreshed, and renewed to provide the best holiday experience for all."

For more information about the Albany Police Athletic League, visit the website <https://www.albanypal.org/>.

**WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW**

**Dean Ford & The Beautiful Ones**  
Putnam Place - Friday, Nov. 4

**SARATOGA SPRINGS** — Dressed 2 the 9's, Dean Ford embodies Prince with every fiber of his being, and he's set to bring that energy to Putnam Place on Friday, Nov. 4, at 9 p.m.

Ford and company perform all the hits you know and love, including the "Purple Rain" album in its entirety.

But, it's more than just the songs. He's got the look, the moves, and the sounds down jaw-droppingly well. So well, you'll forget it's only a tribute.

The show, lovingly entitled "Purple Brainz" is now held annually at the prestigious, Port City Music Hall. Past shows have featured Prince and The Revolution's own keyboardist Matt "Doctor" Fink.

You can catch this show on Friday, Nov. 4, at 9 p.m.

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HEALTH

# Pushing pedals to raise funds

American Stroke Association ride supports brain health, research to eradicate stroke

ALBANY — More than 200 riders joined the American Stroke Association's CycleNation event on Tuesday, Oct. 18 at The Armory at Russell Sage College. The ride boosts mental and physical health while raising critical funds to stop the cycle of stroke across the nation. Stroke is the fifth leading cause of death in the United States and the leading cause of disability in older age.

The ride featured 200 riders who came together to pedal for a purpose. Funds raised through CycleNation benefit the American Stroke Association, a division of the American Heart Association - the leading voluntary health organization focused on heart and brain health for all.

"I want to thank everyone who worked on this event," said Joan Clifford, Senior Director of Alumni Relations at Russell Sage College, Executive Director of the Russell Sage Alumnae Association and chair of the 2022 CycleNation. "The funds we raised tonight will fight stroke in our community and across the nation. We also raised awareness at the event about how to prevent stroke and stay healthy. I hope everyone will focus on their blood pressure, eating well and exercising."

"Today's event put a spotlight on stroke, the nation's No. 5 killer," said Mandeep Sidhu, M.D., cardiologist, associate professor of medicine, assistant dean of medical education and student research and scholarly activity at Albany Medical College, and president of the Board of Directors of the American Heart Association in the Capital Region. "Albany Med



Rosella Elliott, stroke survivor and committee member for CycleNation, cycled during the 2022 CycleNation on Tuesday, Oct. 18, at the Armory at Russell Sage College. CycleNation is the American Heart Association's event that raises awareness about stroke and the funds to fight it. Donations can be made at [CycleNation.org/capitalregionny](https://CycleNation.org/capitalregionny).

American Heart Association

Health System and the American Heart Association are working together to improve the brain and heart health of Capital Region residents, and the money we raised today will help fund research and education to change the statistics around stroke. We also raised awareness and took action to improve our own cardiovascular health."

Jennifer DeFazio of Glenmont shared her story of surviving a stroke.

"On my 43rd birthday I suffered a stroke," DeFazio said. "At my office in Colonie, on a call with my boss, I lost all bearings of everything around me. My arms became weak, my legs began to collapse and I fell over on to my desk, but was thankfully able to scream for help. My coworkers called 911 and EMS arrived almost immediately. After a CT scan showing I had a severed vertebral artery,

followed by a MRI that showed I had a stroke, I was admitted into Albany Med. It was a very long first 2 years but today I feel great and am more than grateful to have survived. I eat very well, exercise daily, take and teach classes at the Bethlehem YMCA." Ellen Abbott, a stroke survivor and past Stroke Ambassador to the Capital Region Heart Walk and Run, received the Paula Symanski Legacy Award for her work raising awareness about stroke on behalf of the American Heart Association and American Stroke Association. Abbott and Symanski often worked together before Symanski passed away in 2018.

"I'm really honored to receive the Paula Symanski Legacy Award," Abbott said. "It's really a family award because my husband and sons are usually right by my side supporting

the American Heart Association. It brings me a lot of joy and hope when I share my story that someone will remember it, and the acronym FAST, and get someone they help they need. Paula really encouraged me to share my story and I know whenever I see this award on my shelf, I will remember my dear friend and all the work she did to promote events like CycleNation - and remember to share my

story."

Each year approximately 800,000 people in the U.S. have a stroke. 1 While approximately 80% of those who have a stroke will survive, but the majority of these will remain with some degree of physical impairment or disability. Research shows that up to 80% of strokes may be prevented. Getting the recommended amount of physical activity is linked to lower risk of diseases,

stronger bones and muscles, improved mental health and cognitive function and lower risk of depression.

Knowing F.A.S.T. and responding quickly in a stroke emergency may mean the difference between recovery and disability- Face Drooping, Arm Weakness, Speech Difficulty, Time to Call 911.

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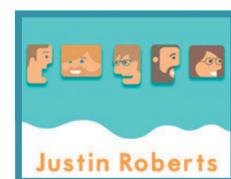
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### Steve Vai

In a small window of time, Vai was also featured in the Ralph Macchio cult classic film, "Crossroads." In the 1986 film, Macchio's Eugene Martone is obsessed with the talent and stories surrounding blues legend, Robert Johnson. The real-life blues guitarist died at 27, stirring stories of the man having made a deal with the Devil to obtain his ungodly talent. In search of Johnson's "lost song," Martone crosses paths with Jack Butler, played by Vai.

The two duel in a mystifying, high-stakes wager that continues to draw in aspiring guitarists today. But it's all Hollywood magic, to some extent. Aside from a bit of slide guitar from Ry Cooder, Vai performs both sides of the battle.

On Saturday, Vai promises to feature an abomination of an instrument as he stops to play at The Egg on his tour to support his latest album, "Inviolate." Called The Hydra, the design of which is from his own imagination, sporting three fretboards in a radial arrangement as its most obvious feature. It's not the most intuitive of tools.

**First of all, I need to ask you**

**this. How was Rio? I understand you just got back or are you still there?**

Steve Vai: No, I got back a while ago. It was so great. It was kind of like a cakewalk, you know. I've known the guys, Living Colour for decades. Fabulous guys. Fantastic musicians and I've toured with them actually for an Experience Hendrix tour. They were the band. And, it was so nice to be invited to come down to Rio and just jump on stage with them for like four or five songs. It went great. You know, it was a different kind of a trip for me because usually, I'm there with my band and there's a lot more responsibilities and hustle and stuff like that. But this was just like a piece of cake.

**So you were able to enjoy yourself.**

Vai: I did, I did. My wife and I just walked along the beach.

**Oh, that sounds awesome. It was my first opportunity to hear you play after hearing that, you know, you suffered an injury. You sounded great. Are you at 100% now?**

Almost, you know. I had shoulder surgery. I tore stuff in

there and I'm on the mend. And I've already toured with, you know, the healing process. It takes about a year. So I'm almost 100.

**What kind of challenges does that present to you and what kind of prep work do you have to do to limber yourself up?**

Well, the one thing that was compromised for the first months was playing the Hydra guitar. I couldn't get my arm over it, or wield it. Some of the things that have been a little slow to recover, like strumming, like fast strumming. I used to be able to do that pretty bulletproof, but I think it'll come back. It's just one of those things you have to put on your radar. I gotta be careful of how violently I attack the whammy bar, you know? That's all shoulder work. Maybe that's how I got it in the first place. Who knows? But it's coming along and I don't feel that anything is being compromised now with the performance.

**Now, speaking of the Hydra, I'm looking at a picture of it, it's like three fretboards on here. It's crazy looking. I'm looking at the press release where you're describing how it came to fruition, but seriously, how did you come up with this?**

Well, it's the kind of thing where if you're lucky enough when you're young to find something that's really interesting

and compelling to you, and you just stick with it your whole life, you're gonna continue to evolve in that. Through the years, I've just played the guitar and I've written music and I've always loved that, and I've always kind of searched in my mind for quirky, interesting, entertaining, engaging things. And I think I always saw myself playing some kind of multi-neck guitar; a piece of music that was complete within the guitar itself, you know? And all the necks were integrated in one performance. So it really just started out as a visual in my mind, and that's how everything creative starts out for anybody, I think. And then, you just kind of chip away at it and next thing, you know, there it is.

**It's amazing looking, We're able to see how your imagination works through this vision and have it come to fruition, it's really amazing to see that.**

It's nice, because I'm so into the guitar and what it's capable of doing. When it came time to design the Hydra, all the little accoutrements were just sort of sitting in the back door of my mind. So I know what it's gonna do as we're building it, but it was, it was a long process. It took like five years.

**Now what does this, what does the Hydra allow you to do? It sounds like a silly question, I still have to ask, anyhow. What**

**does this instrument allow you to do that you weren't able to do in the past? And that means a lot, considering just how much you were able to do with the guitar all these years.**

What that guitar can do is based on imagination in the mind of the person wielding it. But one of the obvious things — it has a base neck. So now you can play bass on it. It's got 12 strings. So that neck I use for textures and harmonic structures. And it's got all those harp strings, 13 harp strings that you can tune a particular way and they create like a sympathetic resonance. And then it's got the seven-string tuned down neck. So you've got all these options and it's got all sorts of functions. It's got a guitar synthesizer in it, sample and hold, it's got piezos and sustainers. So knowing everything that's there and setting out with the idea of incorporating everything on the guitar in one performance, all at the same time, basically, that was the goal. So that you can do that you can't do on a regular guitar. You can play bass, rhythm, lead — all of these things at once on separate necks. It's kind of like a glorified Rubik's Cube.

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

**The Egg**

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Sat: **Steve Vai** | 8 p.m.

Sun: **The Fab Faux** | 7 p.m.

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Thurs: **The Hamilton Street Jazz Trio**

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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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Wed: **Soraia And Stupidity** | 8 p.m.

Fri: **The Surfrajettes / The Jagaloons / The Abyssmals** | 8 p.m.

**The Hollow Bar + Kitchen**

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Fri: **The Laura Leigh Band, Sydney**

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Fri: **The Wheel** | 9 p.m.

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Wed: **Shantyman Séan McCann** | 8 p.m.

Fri: **Durham County Poets** | 8 p.m.

Sat: **The Found Footage Festival** | 8 p.m.

**McGeary's Irish Pub**

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

**Nashville Of Saratoga**

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Wed: **Karaoke** | 8 p.m.

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

Fri: **Edge of Town Band** | 8 p.m.

Sat: **The Beadle Brothers** | 8 p.m.

**Nanola**

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**Olde English Pub**

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**The Palace Theatre**

19 Clinton Ave., Albany  
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Sat: **Kevin James** | 7:30 p.m.

**Panza's**

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Thurs: **The Nick Horace Duo** | 5:30 p.m.

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

**Parish Public House**

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**The Parting Glass**

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Fri: **Kevin McKrell Solo** | 7 p.m.

**Paulys Hotel**

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Thurs: **They Live** | 7 p.m.

Fri: **Tom Paxton & the Don Juans**

| 7:30 p.m.

Sat: **NY Cat Film Festival** | 1 p.m.

**Putnam Place**

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Thurs: **Bearly Dead** | 8:30 p.m.

Fri: **Dean Ford & The Beautiful Ones**

| 9 p.m.

Sat: **Skeeter Creek + Line Dancing**

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

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Mon: **Bingo** | 8 p.m.

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

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## EXHIBITS

### Albany Institute of History and Art

#### The Four Elements of Leigh Li-Yun Wen-

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

#### The Hudson River School: Landscape Paintings from the Albany Institute-

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

#### Nineteenth Century American Sculpture:Erastus Dow Palmer and His Protégés Launt Thompson, Charles Calverley, and Richard Park-

Designed to showcase the museum's nationally known collection of mid- to late-nineteenth-century sculpture, This exhibit is currently ongoing.

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

ongoing.

#### Traders & Culture: Colonial Albany and the Formation of American Identity-

This exhibition looks at those diverse peoples who shaped colonial Albany and the objects that reflect their interests, values, commercial, and social interactions. This exhibit is currently ongoing. The Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave. Albany, 518.463.4478.

#### Albany International Airport

**ECHO-**Ginne Gardiner & Amy Talluto Recent Painting and Collage A pattern of reflections distinguishes the work of these two artists, who make paintings that are cycled into collages, which are then reinterpreted as new paintings. Amy Talluto and Ginne Gardiner both describe the earliest phases of their creative process as cloaked in associations with landscape, weather and seasons. Beginning November 20th 2021 to April 25th, 2022 Location: 3rd Floor, Main Terminal, 737 Albany Shaker Rd, Albany, NY. 518-242-2241 or www.albanyairport.com/arts

#### Arts Center of the Capital Region

The Troy. Gallery hours: Daily, Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. 265 River St., Troy. Free admission. 518-273-0552 or artscenteronline.org

#### The Clark Art Institute

**Imaginary City-** The large-format,



## HOT DATE

### MICK FLANNERY!

An award-winning, double-platinum selling artist, Mick Flannery is one of Ireland's most acclaimed songwriters and singers. He plays at Caffe Lenda on Thursday, Nov. 3, at 6:30 p.m.

abstract paintings of Tomm El-Saieh (b. 1984, Port-au-Prince; lives and works in Miami) team with dense and dynamic marks that evoke ornament, language, and architecture. By variously layering

and erasing his linework, and using vibrant color to optically push or pull his pictures, El-Saieh creates rhythmic, all-over compositions from which larger forms appear to emerge—testing both the limits of our perception and our expectations about abstraction. The exhibition title, which comes from one of the works in the show, refers to a cityscape theme common in Haitian art (Vilaj Imaginé). El-Saieh's paintings, which resemble informal urban plans, likewise develop intuitively, without the use of preparatory studies or outlines. For the artist, who has been unable to return to his birthplace in recent years as a result of the instability there, Port-au-Prince now also exists mainly as a figure in his memory and imagination—a site of joy and trauma, potential and uncertainty. Tomm El-Saieh was born in Haiti and grew up in Miami; he is of Haitian, Palestinian, and Israeli descent. He was the subject of a solo show at the Institute of Contemporary Art (ICA) Miami in 2018 and was included in the New Museum triennial in New York that year. He is partner at the artist-run gallery CENTRAL FINE in Miami and long directed the El-Saieh Gallery in Port-au-Prince, a venue for contemporary Haitian artists that his grandfather established in the 1950s. This yearlong exhibition appears in public spaces around the Clark and is free and open to the public. It is organized by the Clark Art Institute and curated by Robert Wiesenberger, associate curator of contemporary projects. This exhibit goes from January

29th through December 31st. Museum hours: Daily, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Admission: Adults, \$20; children 18 and younger, free. 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. 413-458-2303 or www.clarkart.edu

#### Clement Art Gallery

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

#### The Jan Rutland Memorial Artists' Space

Gallery hours Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free. Second Floor, National Bottle Museum, 76 Milton Ave., Ballston Spa. 518-885-7589 or nationalbottlemuseum.org

#### miSci

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


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

spanning the solar system.

In each space capsule, a massive 70" monitor serves as the 'windshield,' giving you a first-person view of your adventures. Touch-screens and an industrial-quality joystick put you in command. During missions, the entire cockpit comes alive with animated lighting effects, game visuals, and sounds that make you believe you ARE an astronaut. Museum hours: Tuesday–Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (observatory open until 8 p.m. on Thursday); Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. 15 Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Admission: Adults (13+), \$12; seniors (65+), \$10; children (3-12) \$8. Additional \$6/person for planetarium show. 518-382-7890 or www.miSci.org

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

In choosing their wedding clothes, brides and grooms are influenced by fashion, economics, technology, religion, geography, celebrity, personal taste, and their role in society. This was as much the case in 19th-century New York as it is today. Wedding clothing holds memories, and pieces—dresses, shoes, suits, and head wear—are often preserved and passed to subsequent generations. A couple's choices reveal historical information about both the individuals who wore them and those who made them. Some garments find their way to museum collections. This exhibition will unveil stories of select New Yorkers. Exhibit is on going until October 2nd 2022. Museum hours: Tuesday–Sun, 9 a.m. to





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#### CLUES ACROSS

1. Clip a small piece
5. Enter forcibly
11. Southwestern Native American tribe
12. Helps you smell better
16. Sun or solar disk
17. Low frequency
18. Former Houston football player
19. Federal crime
24. Home to Boston (abbr.)
25. Approval
26. Those who fight an establishment (abbr.)
27. \_\_\_ student, learns healing
28. Indian groomer of horses
29. Line where two pieces meet
30. One might be brief
31. Type of sword
33. Knife for fruits or vegetables
34. Stinkhorns
38. Stroke
39. Industrial process for producing ammonia
40. Sir \_\_\_ Newton
43. Wild goat
44. Muslim ruler
45. Scottish ancestor
49. Hat
50. Horse mackerel
51. Alcoholic accompaniment
53. Tech department
54. Manifesting approval
56. Upper bract of grass
58. Of I
59. Large wading bird
60. Military prisons
63. Famed American cartoonist
64. Rise
65. Greek God of war and courage

#### CLUES DOWN

1. Sewing needles
2. Functionary
3. Induces vomiting
4. The finger farthest from the thumb

5. Not moving
6. Sports official
7. Water purification process (abbr.)
8. University of Dayton
9. Indo-Malaysian evergreens
10. High schoolers' math course
13. Yankovic is a weird one
14. Adversaries
15. Merchandisers
20. Radioactive metal (abbr.)
21. Atomic #52
22. The back
23. One-time computer giant
27. Female of a horse
29. Football's big game (abbr.)
30. Vehicle
31. Single Lens Reflex
32. It's becoming more prevalent
33. Political action committee
34. Makes lightbulbs
35. Natural home of an animal
36. In bed
37. Superman villain
38. The Golden State
40. One who leads prayers in a mosque
41. They accompany a leader
42. Atomic #18
44. Electronic countermeasures
45. The appearance of something
46. Connecting line on a map
47. Deep red color
48. Secret affairs
50. Drenches
51. Contains music
52. Expression of surprise
54. Intestinal pouches
55. Where birds are born
57. \_\_\_ and behold
61. Cools your home
62. The First State

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5 p.m.; 222 Madison Ave., Albany. Free admission; suggested donation of \$5/person or \$10/family. 518-474-5877 or www.nysm.nysed.gov

### Opalka Gallery

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

### Saratoga Arts

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

### Schenectady County Historical Society

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

### Dan Sekellic Visual Arts Gallery

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

### Tang Teaching Museum

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

### All The Days

All the Days follows Ruth from Long Island, whose deteriorating health leads her to stay with her grown daughter Miranda, who is trying to make a new life for herself in Philadelphia all while planning her son's bar mitzvah. As if that wasn't enough - Ruth's sister, ex-husband, a new love interest, and Miranda's boyfriend all find their way through the front door. With all the family in one place, it's anyone's guess if they'll all stay in one piece. Sharyn Rothstein's uniquely heartfelt view of the modern Jewish-American family holds a mirror up to all who know the pain and pleasure of families dealing with life, with loss... and with each other This show runs from November 3rd through the 27th. Join us only at the Curtain Call Theatre, 1 Jeanne Jugan Lane, Latham.

## COMEDY

### Vikram Balaji

Vikram Balaji is an international touring comedian who has performed in six foreign countries and various comedy festivals like World Series of Comedy Festival, Chattanooga Lookout Comedy Festival, Magner's International Comedy Festival (Philippines) etc. He won 3rd place in the 2022 World Series of Comedy Festival in Las Vegas. He recently recorded his Dry Bar Comedy Special and he has opened for comedians like Nick Di Paolo, Russell Peters, and Jim Florentine. He is known for his unapologetic and twisted humor. You can catch this show November 4th at 8 p.m. only at The Comedy Works, 388 Broadway, Saratoga Springs.

### Mark Normand

Mark Normand is a fun-loving, New York comedian. Ok, I'm gonna brag a little here but hey, you're on the site so that must mean you're somewhat interested. I don't know, I've just seen other comics do this. Ah screw you, I'm proud of these credits! Sorry, I got worked up there. (I just wanna be liked) So far, Mark has done a One-Hour Comedy Central special "Don't Be Yourself", a Comedy Central HALF HOUR special, has appeared on TBS's CONAN 5 times, Tonight Show with Jimmy Fallon, Late Show with Stephen Colbert, Showtime's "Live at SXSW", INSIDE AMY SCHUMER, TruTV, Best Week Ever, MTV, Last Comic Standing, @Midnight and released an album with Comedy Central records titled "Still Got It" (it's not bad). This year, Mark took first place at the Great American Comedy Festival competition. In 2013 won Caroline's March Madness competition, beating out 63 other comedians. And this is a real shocker for all of us, but he was also voted Village Voice's "Best Comedian of 2013", I know, right? In 2012, Mark appeared on "John Oliver's New York Standup Show" on Comedy Central, and in 2011 was picked as one of Comedy Central's "Comics to Watch." You can catch this show November 3rd at 7:30 p.m with a second and third show Friday and Saturday only at The Funny Bone, 1 Crossgates Mall Rd #K-206, Albany.

### Maria Bamford

Maria Bamford is revered for her deeply personal and experimental comedy about mental illness. She starred in the surreal, semi-autobiographical Netflix comedy series Lady Dynamite, about a comedian who suffers a nervous breakdown, and is the star of three unconventional hour-long stand-up specials: Weakness is the Brand, Old Baby and Maria Bamford, the special, special, special! Maria was the first female comic to have two half-hour Comedy Central Presents specials and starred alongside Patton Oswalt, Zach Galifianakis and Brian Posehn in the Comedy Central series The Comedians of Comedy and Netflix's Comedians of Comedy: The Movie. She is often recognized for her prolific voiceover work, including characters on Big Mouth, BoJack Horseman, HouseBroken, Teenage Euthanasia and Adventure Time. You can catch this show November 5th at 7:30 p.m. only at The UPH, 25 Washington Street Saratoga Springs.

## MISCELLANEOUS

### Jerusalem Reformed Church

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

### Troy Farmers Market

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

### Schenectady GreenMarket

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

### Veterans Meet-Up

All veterans welcome to free coffee Tuesdays, from 6 to 8 p.m. Saratoga Coffee Traders, 447 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. 518-884-4999 or

www.VeteransPeerConnection.org

### Social Night/Open House tours

Get a feel for this amazing creative community. Free. Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Tech Valley Center of Gravity, 30 3rd St., Troy. 518-279-7863 or www.tvcog.net.

## MUSIC

### The music of the Penguin Cafe Orchestra

Simon's Dream is an ensemble that plays the music of the Penguin Cafe Orchestra, featuring original PCO members Jennifer Maidman and Annie Whitehead, as well as Jerry Marotta on drums, Scott Petito on guitars/bass/etc, Jonathan Talbot on violin and Liam Singer on piano. Catch the show November 4th at 8 p.m. only

at Avalon Lounge, 29 Church St. Catskill.

### Of the Atlas / Larry Locust / Tall Glass

songwriter Jay Woodruff has led indie rock band Of The Atlas through a colorful range of styles and incarnations. Larry Locust is the solo, song-writing project of Kenny Hauptman. It's dark and dreamy indie folk from the Hudson Valley. Catch the show November 5th at 8 p.m. only at Avalon Lounge, 29 Church St. Catskill.

### Mick Flannery

A cliché has it that you have to beware of the quiet ones, because most of the time their voices speak sharper and with more range than the loudmouths. Every cliché, however, has a grain of truth in it, and so it's fair to say that while County Cork singer-songwriter Mick Flannery is outwardly reserved, his songs are flu-

ent in expressing layered aspects of the human condition, its flaws, triumphs, and general uncertainty. He began to write songs as a teenager in his home of Blarney, County Cork. As musical influences from albums by the likes of Bob Dylan, Van Morrison, Joni Mitchell and Tom Waits seeped into his creative DNA, Mick absorbed, learned and honed the craft that would send him on his way into the world. The path was smoothed somewhat when, at the age of 19, he became the first Irish songwriter to win the Nashville-based International Songwriting Competition. By the time he turned 21, he had signed to a major label and released his debut album. Catch this show November 3rd at 7 p.m. only at Caffè Lena 47 Phila Street Saratoga Springs.

### Buffalo Rose

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**Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer**

Two-time Grammy® Award Winners, Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer are an eclectic folk festival on their own terms. Their superb harmonies are backed by instrumental virtuosity on the guitar, five-string banjo, ukulele, mandolin and cello-banjo. The duo has released 48 recordings, won recognition as both songwriters and tradition bearers, and opened doors for countless other musicians. Catch this show November 5th at 8 p.m. only at Caffe Lena, 47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs.

**Qwanqwa**

Brought together by a shared passion for the power of Ethiopian music, this group shines an experimentalism based in the virtuosity of rooted traditions. With swirling masinko (one-stringed fiddle), wah-wah-violin, bass krar boom, and the unstoppable rhythm of heavy kebero (goat-skin drum) beats, powerful traditional lead African diva vocals, QWANQWA keeps the people wrapped in celebratory attention. After making a splash at world renowned festivals Roskilde and WOMEX, and after 3 European tours under their belt, this world traveling ensemble is hitting the road for a MacArthur Foundation backed Debut US tour in 2022. Catch this show Novem-

ber 6th at 8 p.m. only at Caffe Lena, 47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs.

**Mike Thomas & His Suitcase Contraption**

A look inside Mike Thomas' brain, The Suitcase Contraption is the manifestation of Mike's rhythmic and melodic creativity. Breezily complex in it's delivery, Mike's blend of vocalizations, deep synth sounds and guitar stew into a very cool and unique sonic experience. You can catch this show November 4th at 2 p.m. only at The Centre Street Pub, 308 Union Street, Schenectady.

**Tab Benoit**

Tab Benoit is a Grammy nominated singer, songwriter and guitarist who has built a remarkable 30+ year career on the foundation of his gritty and soulful Delta swamp blues. He is considered to be one of the most impressive guitarists to emerge from the rich bayous of Southern Louisiana in recent years, Tab Benoit's guitar tone can be recognized before his Otis-Redding-ish voice resonates from the speakers. He doesn't rely on any effects and his set up is simple. It consists of a guitar, cord, and Category 5 Amplifier. The effects you hear come from his fingers. He has acquired a devoted legion of fans along the way, as well as 5 Blues Music Awards, including BB King Entertainer of the Year (twice) and an induction into The Louisiana Music Hall of Fame. He has recorded and/or performed with Junior Wells, George Porter Jr, Dr. John, Willie Nelson, Big Chief Monk Boudreaux, Billy Joe Shaver, Maria Muldaur, James Cotton, Cyril Neville, Kenny Aronoff, Allen Toussaint, Kim Wilson, Jimmy Thackery, Charlie Musselswhite, Kenny Neal, Chris Layton, Ivan Neville, Jimmy Hall, Jim Lauderdale, Anders Osborne, and Alvin Youngblood Hart to



**HOT DATE**

**THE FAB FAUX!**

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name a few. Tab's accomplishments as a musician are matched only by his devotion to the environmental health of his native Louisiana wetlands. Benoit is the founder and driving force behind Voice of the Wetlands, an organization working to preserve the coastal waters of his home state. In 2010, he received the Governor's Award for Conservationist of the Year from the Louisiana Wildlife Federation. Benoit also starred in the iMax

motion picture Hurricane on the Bayou, a documentary of Hurricane Katrina's effects and a call to protect and restore the wetlands. This can all be seen November 5th at 8 p.m. only at Cohoes Music Hall, 58 Remsen Street, Cohoes.

**Steve Vai**

A virtuoso guitarist, visionary composer, and consummate producer who sculpts musical sound with infinite creativity and technical mastery, Steve Vai has awed fans of all genres with his exceptional guitar skills and musicianship for decades. At age 12, he started taking guitar lessons from Joe Satriani. At 18, he began his professional music career transcribing for, and then playing with, the legendary Frank Zappa. More than three decades, over 15 million in album sales, and three GRAMMY Awards later, Vai has proven himself, in his own right, to be one of music's true originals. Vai's work has been recognized with a long list of awards and honors, including over 15 from Guitar Player magazine alone. His career accomplishments have earned him honorary doctorates from Berklee College of Music and Musicians Institute. The 2016 Long Island Music Hall of Fame inductee was voted the 10th "Greatest Guitarist" by Guitar World magazine and consistently lands among the best in various lists of the top guitarists of all time. This can all be seen November 5th at 8 p.m. only at The Egg, PO Box 2065, Albany.

**The Fab Faux**

With a commitment to the accurate reproduction of The Beatles' repertoire, The Fab Faux eschews wigs, costumes and phony accents to impeccably recreate, note-for-note the treasured catalog of the world's most famous rock group, and features five of the most respected

NYC-based studio and touring musicians Will Lee (bass), Jimmy Vivino (guitar), Rich Pagano (drums), Frank Agnello (guitar) and multi-instrumentalist, Jack Petruzzelli. The Fab Faux celebrates one of the Beatles most transformative years 1965 with rock 'n roll music from their American LPs Beatles '65 and Beatles VI, the soundtrack from Help! and their historic live show at Shea Stadium. The centerpiece of the concert will be a performance of their groundbreaking album "Rubber Soul" played in its entirety demonstrating the band's incredible growth and lasting influence for over half of a century. This can all be seen November 6th at 7 p.m. only at The Egg, PO Box 2065, Albany.

**Cannibal Corpse**

One of the most influential and contentious death metal bands of all time, Cannibal Corpse emerged in 1990 with a furious musical assault marked by blastbeats, throaty vocals, and highly violent lyrics. Reveling in splatter-horror imagery, the group's graphic album artwork and sordid song titles have attracted a fair amount of controversy over the decades and sometimes resulted in their albums getting banned. However, their ghoulish and unrepentant esthetic has won them a rabid cult following, with LPs like Gore Obsessed (2002), Torture (2012), and Violence Unimagined (2021) helping to make them one of the top-selling death metal acts of all time. Cannibal Corpse were formed in Buffalo, New York, in 1988, their lineup composed mostly of musically active scenesters: vocalist Chris Barnes, guitarists Bob Rusay and Jack Owen, bassist Alex Webster, and drummer Paul Mazurkiewicz. Musically, they were closest to Slayer, although more extreme metal bands like Death also played a role in their sound. A 1989

demo helped the band secure a contract with Metal Blade Records, which released their debut album, Eaten Back to Life, in 1990. A cult following began to build behind the group with albums like 1991's Butchered at Birth and 1992's Tomb of the Mutilated. Bob Rusay was fired in 1993 and replaced with ex-Malevolent Creation guitarist Rob Barrett, who joined the group in time to appear as a club band in the Jim Carrey film Ace Ventura: Pet Detective. You can catch this show November 4th at 7 p.m. only at Empire Underground, 93 North Pearl Street Albany.

**Danielle Ponder**

Bravery can take many forms. For Danielle Ponder it took the shape of a leap of faith: leaving her successful day job working in the public defender's office in her hometown of Rochester to devote herself full-time to sharing her powerful voice with the world. The singer-songwriter's mesmerizing eight song debut Some of Us Are Brave reinforces that her faith was not misplaced, and her leap has been rewarded with a safe landing. Written and recorded over three years, the album is a refreshingly original, shiver-inducing mix of pop, R&B, blues, rock, and moody trip-hop topped by Ponder's celestial voice—an instrument that can plumb melancholy depths with a heartsick murmur and scrape the sky with hurricane force wails. The sixth of seven children, Ponder had always been musical but chose to pursue a career in law after her brother received a 20-year sentence due to a "three strikes" law. But even as she became a tireless advocate for justice in her community—first as a public defender and later as a diversity, equity, and inclusion officer in that same office—the music was never far from her heart as she played in bands and

**HOROSCOPES**

**November 2022  
Week 1**

**ARIES – MAR 21/APR 20**

Aries, you're normally content acting on a whim, but this week you may want to plan your schedule with a bit more detail. Think about what to accomplish.

**TAURUS – APR 21/MAY 21**

When considering a situation, remember there is more than meets the Taurus. Dig a little deeper and you may uncover the truth. Remember to ask the right questions.

**GEMINI – MAY 22/JUN 21**

Gemini, you have an entire team rallying in your corner this week. You can use a little extra support. All you need to do is speak up and others will come to your aid.

**CANCER – JUN 22/JUL 22**

Few things escape your notice, Cancer. However, this week something may just sneak by you. Don't fret too much, as it's not really vital. But try to focus better.

**LEO – JUL 23/AUG 23**

There's a million things going on in your life this week, Leo. You need to zero in on one or two tasks and get down to business; otherwise, you can easily get overwhelmed.

**VIRGO – AUG 24/SEPT 22**

Virgo, listen to your heart this week. It will not guide you astray. You have some soul-searching to do right now to uncover some answers you have been seeking.

**LIBRA – SEPT 23/OCT 23**

Don't let others bring you down, Libra. Focus and maintain a positive attitude and you can do just about anything you set your mind to this week. Start making plans.

**SCORPIO – OCT 24/NOV 22**

A big change is coming your way, Scorpio, and you've never been more ready. Adopt a receptive mindset and await all of the excitement that is coming your way.

**SAGITTARIUS – NOV 23/DEC 21**

Keep your eyes on the prize, Sagittarius. You are so close to the end result right now, so just a little more patience is needed. You'll discover some surprising things.

**CAPRICORN – DEC 22/JAN 20**

There's not much more you can add to a situation, Capricorn. When communication fails, it's difficult to overcome obstacles. A relationship may come to an end.

**AQUARIUS – JAN 21/FEB 18**

Aquarius, when you put your hope in someone you can trust, the positive outcome shouldn't be too surprising. Close friends and family will help out.

**PISCES – FEB 19/MAR 20**

There's so much that you are eager to learn, so why not enroll in a class or take up a new hobby, Pisces? You can continue your education.

wrote songs, first between classes, then between cases. You can catch this show November 4th at 8 p.m. only at Empire Underground, 93 North Pearl Street, Albany.

**Soraia And Stupidity Feat. Keith Streng Of The Fleshtones**

As a spiritual descendent of iconic women in rock such as Patti Smith and Joan Jett, ZouZou's Philadelphia-based band also embodies elements of kindred spirits of the '90s and beyond – like PJ Harvey and The Kills, with more than a sprinkling of '60s Garage Rock and Soul. Their primal sonic attack spreads a message of perseverance through trials of love, loss and letting go. Bassist Travis Smith continues to be a crucial root of the Soraia tree, co-writing most of Soraia's songs. Further nourishing their roots is the continued support of Wicked Cool's Stevie Van Zandt. The label head has been an advocate ever since naming their breakout track "Love Like Voodoo" the Coolest Song in the World on his syndicated radio show and SiriusXM channel Little Steven's Underground Garage in 2013. In January 2021, the band's newest single "Tight-Lipped" became the thirteenth 'Coolest Song' they've earned. Catch this show on November 2nd at 8 p.m. only at The Hangar on the Hudson, 675 River Street, Troy.

**The Surfrajettes / The Jagaloons / The Abyssmals**

The Surfrajettes are a four-piece instrumental combo from Toronto, ON, Canada. Since forming in late 2015, the band has charmed audiences with their clever mix of psychedelic rock and reverb-drenched surf music, sky-high beehives, go-go boots, and eyeliner as thick as their guitar strings. The band achieved viral

online notoriety from their home-made performance videos and their feature by Norman's Rare Guitars in LA. The debut 45 single "Party Line / Toxic" released late 2018 on Hi-Tide Recordings to immediate success. The band has toured extensively in its support, including performances on The Beach Boys Cruise, The Melissa Etheridge Cruise, at Sea.Hear.Now, Nashville Boogie, Wild O Fest in Mexico City, The New England Shake-Up!, Surf Guitar 101 Convention, Tiki Oasis & Hi-Tide Summer Holiday: Asbury Park. The Surfrajettes are guitarists Shermey Freeman and Nicole Damof, bassist Sarah Butler, and drummer Samantha Maloney. When not on tour, the group is busy woodshedding in their secret beach hut, sewing new mini-skirts, debating vintage gear, and daydreaming about performing in a Quentin Tarantino movie. The Jagaloons, Dredged up from the murky depths of the Hudson River, The Jagaloons play guitar-driven, reverb-soaked, all-instrumental rock and roll. This Albany-based trio takes the surf music of the 1960s and adds modern and eclectic influences, creating their own unique sound. The Jagaloons have performed all over the eastern US since 2015 and have released full length albums and EPs on UK-based Sharawaji Records and US-based Otitis Media Records. Catch this show on November 4th at 8 p.m. only at The Hangar on the Hudson, 675 River Street, Troy.

**The Laura Leigh Band, Sydney Worthley, Belle-Skinner and Al Olender**

Laura Leigh is a multi instrumentalist, singer, songwriter and story teller from upstate NY. From the sweeping landscapes of farm country, Laura's voice echoes old timey Appalachian mountain music with the early days of country

western ballads, and a big old love for rock and roll. Sydney Worthley, In 2019, Sydney became an independent artist at the age of 17. In 2017, Sydney released her debut 14-track album titled Strong, followed by performances at Mountain Jam Music Festival, First Night Saratoga, across New England alongside Sawyer Fredricks, and all over New York's Capital Region. She has earned regular spots on Albany's 88.3 WVCR and 97.7 WEXT, Woodstock NY's 100.3 WDST, and WAPS "The Summit" in Akron, OH. Belle-Skinner is a dark nostalgic singer-songwriter based in upstate New York and Brooklyn. With a hauntingly beautiful, lilting soprano and innate sense of melody she crafts tales of songbirds, sirens and desert nomads - nuanced and layered stories which bridge the gap between past and present. Though her influences cover a broad range of genres - from French chansons and Russian folk to contemporary alt-pop and rock - her voice often draws comparisons to the likes of Joni Mitchell, Kate Bush, Jeff Buckley, Mary Hopkin, and early St. Vincent. For singer/songwriter Al Olender, facing her fear of the truth has been a cleansing, often cathartic process that's led to the kind of revelations she had previously thought unobtainable. On her debut full-length album Easy Crier, the Upstate New York based artist asks: what happens if we vow to never tell a lie, ever again? Charting the daunting territories of staring your demons right in the face and prodding at the ugly parts of your reflection, Olender pieces together her most vulnerable moments to produce a celebratory and beautiful rumination on grief, and reminds us of the power that comes in really getting to know yourself. Catch this show on November 4th at 7 p.m. only at The Hollow Bar + Kitchen, 79 N Pearl

St, Albany.

**The Wheel**

Buckle up, put it in gear, and enjoy the ride with the Capitol Region's authentic Grateful Dead tribute band, The Wheel. "The Wheel brings a big, danceable groove to the party, driven by the deep pocket of rhythm guitarist and bandleader Andy Morse, bassist Dave Pallas, drummer Joe Sorbero and percussionist Pete Andriakos. They provide an unshakable foundation over which lead guitarist Bryan Gautie and keyboardist Rick Rothermel weave solo after evocative solo together with virtuosity and taste. Yet they are also capable of complex, interwoven conversations that display the nuance and dynamic range of the Dead's music in quieter, more blissful passages. Vocally, The Wheel possesses a diverse blend of styles, from Morse's smooth, heartfelt delivery, Rothermel's full-throated soul, Bryan Gautie's Jerry Garcia-like tenderness to Jill Gautie's soaring harmonies." Andy Morse: (Rhythm guitar and vocals) Known to many a family as Andy & The Music Man(www.andysings.com) has been a full time musician since 1995 when he hung up his time card and picked up his guitar to become a traveling troubadour bringing music to children's lives across the county. Andy's been known to sneak in some GD licks at the family concerts. He also ran childrens activity tents and performed at major rock festivals across the country since 2000.Gathering of the Vibes, Langerado, Furtherfest and Nateva. Andy studied under Mathew Smith currently of Six String Ranch in Austin TX. Andy also plays with Rainbow Full of Sound. Catch this show on November 4th at 8 p.m. only at the Lark Hall 351 Hudson Avenue, Albany.

**Sub-Radio**

Sub-Radio makes indie pop that grooves, stabs, winks, punches, inspires.Founded by six childhood friends, they built a worldwide following on the strength of ecstatic virtual and live shows and a stream of releases. Following the release of their 2020 EP Thoughts Lights Colors Sounds, produced by Andrew Maury (Shawn Mendes, Lizzo, COIN), the band embarked on apandemic-induced virtual Reddit tour, reaching over 4 million unique viewers in just 5 months. Their latest single "What You Want To Hear", debuting in February 2021, is a pop blast of love and compassion in the face of adversity. When you hear Marielle Kraft's music or experience her candid live shows, you feel as though you already know her. The Nashville-based indie pop singer/songwriter, originally from Rhode Island, displays craftsmanship beyond her years, evident through her use of salient detail, raw emotion, and poignant word choice to describe moments "exactly as they feel." In spring 2018, she was crowned Grand Champion of the Mid-Atlantic Singer-Songwriter Competition, and the following June she delivered a Tedx Talk at Firefly 2018, discussing the importance of honesty rooted in her songwriting process. Marielle Kraft's debut studio EP, "The Deep End" officially released on July 12th, 2019, is described by The Music Mermaid as "song after song of mini pop addictions."In February 2020, Marielle Kraft co-released an "anthemic" and "heart-filled" single with Joshua Howard entitled "In It Together", which quickly gained traction across platforms.Catch this show on November 5th at 8 p.m. only at the Lark Hall 351 Hudson Avenue, Albany.

**Shantyman Séan McCann**

A lot has happened in the almost 10 years since Séan McCann exited the Canadian folk rock arena filling GREAT BIG SEA he co-founded in 1993. He's released five successful solo albums touching on a range of subjects from Canadian life and culture to spotlighting national hardships like the infamous 2016 wildfires that devastated Fort McMurray, Alberta, in which he partnered with the Canadian Red Cross. A philanthropist as much as he is an artist, McCann also organized a songwriters' benefit in 2017 in support of veterans suffering with PTSD and addiction. In recognition of these efforts and his other advocacy work for people living with mental health and addiction issues, McCann earned the Order of Canada in 2020. McCann's own battle with overcoming alcohol addiction, coming clean and owning his truth has been key to his growth as a husband, a father, a musician, and a human. Armed with the strength and support of his wife, Andrea Aragon, McCann co-penned his first book One Good Reason (April, 2020). "It's the story of how love saved their marriage, and music saved his life. It is the story of a man freed from the weight of a lie; a man who is changing his narrative and never forgetting. . . that he is not alone." McCann has shared his powerful and inspiring personal story and songs with audiences all across North America over the past decade as a solo performer and musical keynote speaker. As the concert trail is opening up again as pandemic restrictions loosen, McCann continues to do what loves best, write and perform songs and share stories accompanied by his best friend "Old Brown" – the first guitar he purchased back in 1989. These days, the only "wave" most of us care to hear about is the kind that lands on a

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sandy shore or carries a boat safely to its destination. McCann's sixth solo album, SHANTYMAN, proves that a 200-year-old, traditional sea shanty and a modern, new wave pop song can really be just a whistle apart stylistically. Infectious (in a good way) sing-alongs from an album brimming with them, SHANTYMAN honours both the recent and the ancient musical past by blending two of McCann's favourite genres in foot stompers guaranteed to lift spirits after the many months we've all spent largely in lonely isolation. Join us November 2nd at 8 p.m. only at The Linda WAMC's Performing Arts Studio, 339 Central Avenue, Albany.

**Durham County Poets**

Durham County Poets are a "BAND" in the truest sense of the word! Each member writes and arranges, and brings something unique to the table. You'll hear a variety of genres and a broad range of styles. Be it Blues, Soul, Folk, R&B or Gospel, it all weaves seamlessly together to create a truly authentic contemporary Canadiana sound. Their fourth album, Hand Me Down Blues, would remain on Roots Music Report's top 50 charts in Canada for more than 12 months. And they were nominated for a JUNO AWARD for (Best Blues album of the year 2020) so now what? (A new album! OUT OF THE WOODS is coming out May 20th.) The band is back in the groove, seeing the light at the end of the tunnel. You'll hear original, uplifting compositions from the Blues, R&B, Soul, and Gospel genres. Every song tells a story and touches the heart! As Nate Dow from the Fallout Shelter in Massachusetts said "Lead singer

Kevin Harvey and his band are sonic shapeshifters of the first order. Whether it's blues, folk, soul, country, gospel or New Orleans swing, they purvey it with skill, aplomb, and pure honesty."The obvious joie-de-vivre they express in performance. Join us November 2nd at 8 p.m. only at The Linda WAMC's Performing Arts Studio, 339 Central Avenue, Albany.

**Bearly Dead**

Bearly Dead is an all-star cast of players with deep roots in the New England jam & festival scene. While the band plays all of the Grateful Dead classics, they also dive into an extended catalog, which may include any song that any member of the Dead ever performed. With over 230 songs in rotation and new material being added all the time, Bearly Dead performs wildly different setslists every night and ensures that each show is a unique experience. With no designated "Jerry" or "Bobby", this band is able to breathe new life into songs with their fresh, high-energy approach to them. Bearly Dead is a setlist-nerd's dream! Founded during an intense snowstorm in April 2015, Bearly Dead played its first show at Church of Boston, marking the beginning of its hallowed Wednesday Night Residency. In September of that year, Church was sold and the band found a new home on Wednesday nights at Thunder Road in Somerville. During their 5 years at Thunder Road, Bearly Dead was nominated twice for the Boston Music Award's "Live Music Residency of the Year," and burst onto the scene as New England's premier Grateful Dead tribute band. The phrase "Never Miss A Wednesday Show" became ubiquitous around Boston...and you really never knew what might happen! Bearly Dead's Wednesday Night Residency at Thunder



**HOT DATE**

**TRIVA!**

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Road continued unabated every week since its inception in September 2015 until the club's closing in 2020. Thunder Road was a beacon to all musicians on Wednesday nights to join in the fun, with notable appearances by Mike Campbell (Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers), Paul Wolstencroft (Slightly Stoopid), Steve Molitz (Particle/Phil Lesh & Friends), Kebbi Williams (Tedeschi Trucks Band), Rob Compas (Dopapod), Hayley Jane

(Hayley Jane & The Primates), Johnny Trama (Dub Apocalypse), and Gary Backstrom (Gary Backstrom Band); and a surprise appearance by Jerry Garcia's "Wolf" guitar in 2018 on Jerry Garcia's birthday! The Wednesday Night Residency was briefly revived in 2021 at The Burren and Sonia before officially ending in May 2022. You can catch this show November 3rd at 8:30 p.m. only at Putnam Place, 63a Putnam Street, Saratoga Springs.

**Dean Ford & The Beautiful Ones**

Dressed 2 the 9's, Dean Ford embodies PRINCE with every fiber of his being, giving you a show as close as you will ever get to the real thing. Ford and company perform all the hits you know and love, including the "Purple Rain" album in its entirety. But, it's more than just the songs. He's got the look, the moves, and the sounds down jaw-droppingly well. So well, you'll forget it's only a tribute. It all started in 2011, when Dean Ford and his musician friends put on their first of many sold out tributes to the Purple One in Portland, Maine. The show, lovingly entitled "Purple Brainz" is now held annually at the prestigious, Port City Music Hall. Past shows have featured Prince and The Revolution's own keyboardist Matt "Doctor" Fink. Lately, Ford has been sticking with a rotation of his core band, The Beautiful Ones. Though, he and the band have plenty of surprises up their frilled sleeves. Dean Ford will perform an opening set of originals followed by his acclaimed tribute to Prince! You can catch this show November 4th at 9 p.m. only at Putnam Place, 63a Putnam Street, Saratoga Springs.

**Skeeter Creek + Line Dancing with Kevin Richards**

Come join us for a night of country music

and line dancing at Putnam Place! Country Radio Broadcaster Kevin Richards will kick off the evening with line dancing lessons from 6:30pm - 9:00pm, followed by a performance by Skeeter Creek. Skeeter Creek started off as a Bluegrass Band in 2002, formed by the late Tim Seabolt of Walton, West Virginia, and Joe Kulewicz from the Adirondack Mountains of Upstate New York. Skeeter Creek has become much more than a band, it's a way of life for these talented, professional musicians. Skeeter Creek has built a reputation as "THE hardest working, most dedicated musicians to come from the Northeast Country Music scene in years" and was nominated for 4 awards at the 2005 Northeast Country Music Association awards: Bluegrass band of the Year, Vocal group of the Year, Instrumental band of the Year, and the Sunrise award. They were the winners of the 2004 Colgate Country Showdown in the Albany, New York region, winners of the 2005 and 2006 Froggy 100.7 Country Shootout, and most recently named at the top of the 2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015 Metroland Magazine Readers Poll for Country Band of the Year (all genres). They have also won the NorthCountry Music Awards in 2014-2015 for Entertainers of the Year, Band of the Year, Male Vocalist (Dave Ahl), Female Vocalist (Renee Lussier-Ahl), and Musician of the Year (Dominic Paratore). You can catch this show November 5th at 9 p.m. only at Putnam Place, 63a Putnam Street, Saratoga Springs.

**An Intimate Night with Donell Jones**

Donell Jones is an American singer born in Chicago, Illinois. In the early 90's, Jones met 'Eddie F' Ferrell, who was the president of Untouchables Entertain-

ment. Eddie F and Donell formed a partnership with L.A. Reid and Babyface at LaFace Records. While with LaFace, Jones wrote Usher's 1994 smash hit, 'Think of You'. Reid and Babyface pushed Jones to release a solo project, which he pursued and title his debut album 'My Heart' in 1996. It peaked on the 30th spot on the Billboard R&B/ Hip-Hop Albums chart. Jones continuously wrote songs for other artists such as Drea's 'Not Gonna Letcha' amongst other collaborations. In 1999, he returned with his album 'Where I Wanna Be', with his number 1 hit, 'Where I Wanna Be', now at 32 million plays on Spotify, and 'U Know What's Up' featuring TLC's Lisa 'Left Eye' Lopes stayed on the Billboard charts for 8 weeks. In that same year, Jones won the AMA's for Best New R&B Artist. Catch this show November 4th at 7:30 p.m. The Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 Second Street, Troy.

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Vanilla wafer cookies, often called nilla cookies, are a friend to dessert cooks. These plain, delicious cookies are a key ingredient in banana pudding, and they also can be crushed and used to make pie crusts. Some people also may have seen the cookies used as the base for cheesecake cupcakes — they're just that versatile! Of course, nilla cookies also are perfect all on their own, or with chocolate spread, peanut butter or a favorite jam sandwiched between two of them.

Commercially made nilla cookies may contain ingredients that do not fit into some people's diets. However "Nilla Cookies" from "Eat What You Love" (Ten Speed Press) by Danielle Walker are dairy- and grain-free.

### Nilla Cookies

#### INGREDIENTS: Makes 32

- 2 egg whites, chilled
- 1/4 cup palm shortening
- 1 tablespoon pure vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup plus 2 tablespoons maple sugar
- 1/2 cup arrowroot powder

- 5 1/2 tablespoons coconut flour
- 1/2 teaspoon grain-free baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon fine sea salt

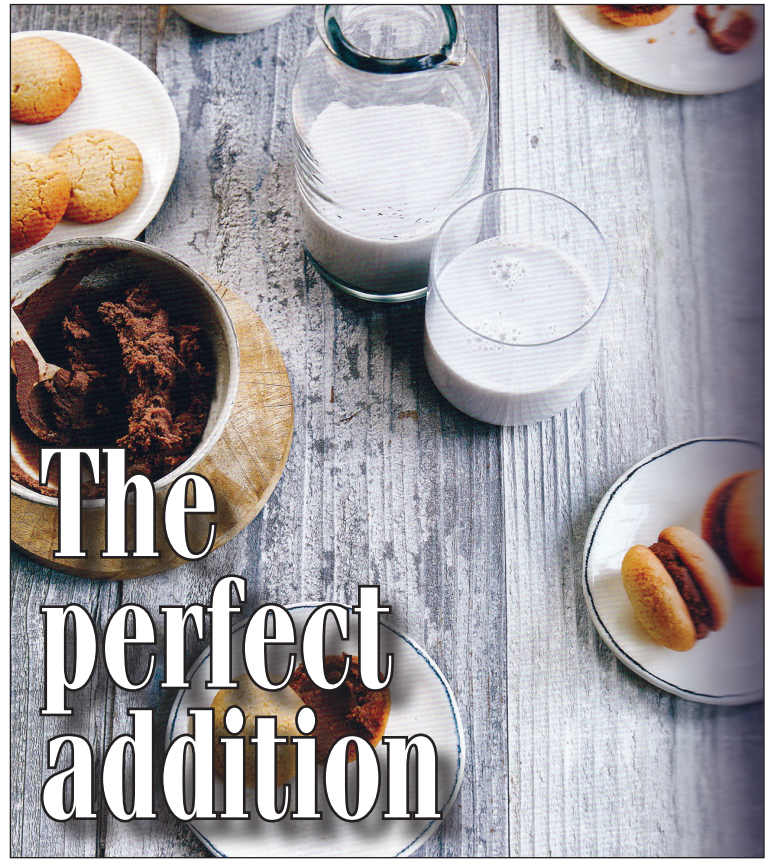
#### INSTRUCTIONS

Preheat the oven to 350 F and line two baking sheets with parchment paper.

In the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with the beater attachment, or using an electric handheld mixer, beat the egg whites, palm shortening and vanilla on medium speed for 30 seconds, until frothy. Add the maple sugar, arrowroot, coconut flour, baking powder, and salt. Beat on medium speed for 15 seconds more, until the dough is fluffy.

Using a teaspoon, scoop out the dough and roll it into small balls the size of gumballs. Space the balls 2 inches apart on the prepared baking sheets and press down gently on the tops to flatten them slightly.

Bake one sheet at a time for 8 to 10 minutes, rotating the sheet halfway through the baking, until the cookies are golden brown. Transfer the cookies to a wire rack to cool completely. Store the cooled cookies in an airtight container in the refrigerator for 2 weeks or in the freezer for 6 months.



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## ■ CONCERT REVIEWS

### Renaissance at Troy Music Hall

By **MARK HUDSON**  
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**TROY** — Renaissance played the venerable Troy Savings Bank Music Hall Thursday night as part of their “Legacy Tour 2022.” It would prove to be an evening plagued with technical problems, flubs, and band members going MIA.

As the band entered the stage, I noticed lead singer Annie Haslam rather awkwardly clutching the sound monitor/mic pack at her side. The band opened with a classic 70s Renaissance song “Carpet of the Sun” from their beloved “Ashes are Burning” album and it was immediately apparent that Haslam was uncomfortable.

At 75 her voice, still a beautiful instrument, has lost some of its power and range. Understandably so. But for all her cheerful stage presence and patter, something wasn’t right. After five songs she admitted that she couldn’t hear herself and apologized if she was going out of tune. And truthfully, she was at times. A tech assistant came onstage and worked

on the problem for 10 to 15 minutes whilst the band stood around and Annie chatted to the audience. Finally, they launched into the first set closer “Symphony of Light” and Haslam’s vocals were appreciably more confident. Although a more recent composition (from their last studio album recorded in 2013), this song neatly represents the Renaissance sound; richly symphonic, melodic, “prog lite” with Haslam’s multi-octave voice soaring above.

Surprisingly, given this venue’s stellar reputation for acoustics, the sound throughout was, well, not very good. In particular, Frank Pagano’s drums seemed to be miked way too loud, with a heavily reverbed and clunky snare sound obliterating much of the subtlety of his playing. For the most part, the 10-piece “chamber orchestra” lined up behind the band was mixed well, but with two keyboard players already employed, musical director Rave Tesar and Geoffrey Langley, it seemed superfluous at times.

The band returned for their second set after a 20-minute intermission. Well, some of them. A pause. A long pause. Annie and the band members looked around. Acoustic guitarist Mark Lambert ambled on stage

after a few minutes. Then there was another pause waiting for bassist Leo Traversa. He emerged sheepishly from the wings, then left again. He wasn’t involved in the first song. Once more, Annie’s bright and winning personality helped smooth the situation, but really, this was totally unprofessional for a band of this vintage.

Things seemed back to normal, and the band kicked into the second set. Curiously the first four numbers were all from Haslam’s solo career and collaborations. Those expecting a set of classic Renaissance would be puzzled. Nothing against the songs in question, but you don’t go to a Rolling Stones gig and expect to see Mick and the boys bust out “Just Another Night.”

The fifth number was a long Renaissance epic, “Day of the Dreamer,” but soon after Haslam’s vocal entrance, it ground to a halt. Claiming a “brain fart” Haslam walked to the side of the stage, regained her composure, and the band started the song over. I have seen this band multiple times, and count myself a fan, but have never seen them so disorganized.

An excellent “Running Hard” did close the show on a high point, Tesar’s bravura piano work

in the introduction as exquisite as it had been all night. A devoted, forgiving, yet less-than-capacity crowd cheered them back on and the encore was another surprise. Usually, Renaissance closes with their powerful and anthemic “Ashes are Burning,” with its extended coda and heroic guitar solo. This night, however, they chose the charming but slight ballad “I Think of You.”

“Well, that was disappointing” muttered a patron as he pushed past me for the exit.

And it kinda was.

### Jon McLaughlin, Kris Allen at Caffe Lena

By **ELISSA EBERSOLD**  
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**SARATOGA SPRINGS** — I’ll admit it, I’ve been in a slump recently. My calendar has been quiet for a few months, and will probably remain that way. But I needed something to get me off of the couch and away from binge-re-watching Daredevil on Disney+. I get overwhelmed easily, and a little nugget of panic was niggling away at my brain as I scrolled through the Nippertown calendar. I’m not sure exactly how I landed on

this event, but I knew I wanted something that was in my comfort zone.

Regardless of how I found myself looking at the page for Jon McLaughlin, a pop pianist from the late 90s and early 00s that I’d never listened to, it seemed like a solid bet for something I’d enjoy. He was doing a 15-year anniversary playthrough of his inaugural album *Indiana*. A playthrough of a critically-acclaimed first album, acoustically and intimately, is probably one of the best ways to first hear an artist. To add to my expected evening of enjoyment, only a few hours prior to showing up to see Jon play, I saw that Season 8 *American Idol* winner Kris Allen was the supporting act. I never watched his season, but I did know his music (at least his first album), and that he had some songs I really love. (A few written by the frontman of one of my favorite musical acts, Danny O’Donoghue of *The Script*, and one by my ultimate fave Mr. Chris Daughtry.) So I left work a little early so I could run home and grab that first post-*Idol* CD in hopes of getting it signed. In the car, I turned to my friend and said, “If he doesn’t play ‘Live Like We’re Dying,’ I’m gonna be sad.”

The evening was autumn

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warm, or in New York's 13th season called "3rd Summer", as Two Buttons Deep would put it. I managed to get a parking spot almost right in front, which I mention only because my friend commented how he was surprised at how vacant the lobby seemed. Unfortunately, the other seats didn't fill out. A whopping total of 45 people (give or take) gathered to hear these two strong singer-songwriters. It was at

less than half capacity. While this sparsely-populated venue worked in my favor – I had space to move around and take photos (not that I got any photos I liked from by the stairs) – and it allowed for a mostly quiet atmosphere (except for the table at the back, I'm looking glaring at you), I also try to put myself in the shoes of the artists I'm coming to see. I can imagine it is discouraging at times.

Those who know me know that I seldom have anything bad to say about any artist or any show. It's especially hard for me to say anything bad (not that there was anything bad to say because there wasn't) when they put their time and effort into creating music for such a small audience. My violin teacher once said that it was these small venues that made him the most nervous. For that exact reason –

it's not anonymous. In a larger venue, the artist may be the focal point, but there is still anonymity for everyone. In a place like Caffè Lena, you can see all the faces of the people you're singing to with one sweep of the eyes across the room. You can track the photographers, make eye contact with the kids, and get annoyed at the people "whispering" loudly in the back of the room. Now, I think these two artists sort

of know what to expect. Their tour has probably all been small venues. But to see a small venue like Caffè Lena only half empty (or is it half full?) when you have talents like these men have – they truly deserve more.

I know, I know, I'll get to the review. My anecdotes and narrations take longer to read

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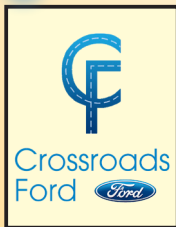


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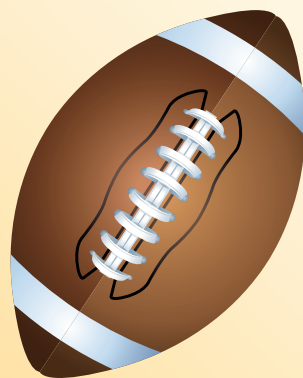
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