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▶ Bank teller in SEFCU fraud case arrested on weapon charges, Bethlehem turns case over to Feds

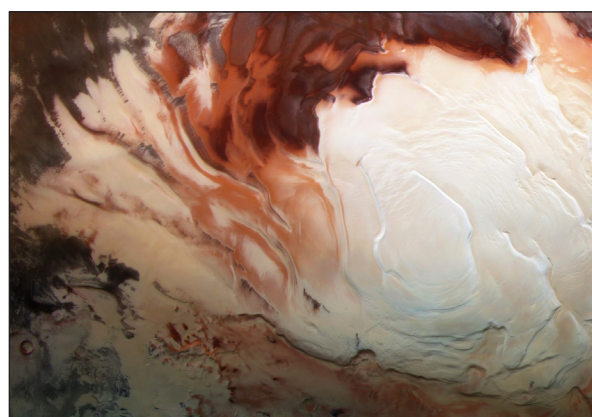
▶ Three more victims come forward, fraud may be wider in scope

By **JOHN McINTYRE**  
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**ALBANY** — The SEFCU bank teller involved in a fraud ring now faces weapons charges after a search of her residence during the October investigation yielded an illegal handgun.

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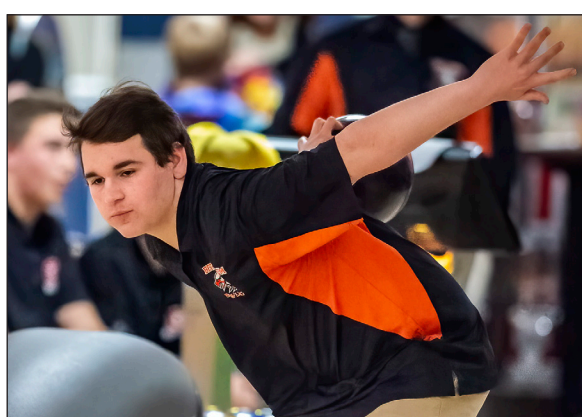


#### A ticket to Mars

Public invited to Hirsch Observatory to enjoy Mars and a sky full of stars.

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Bowlers hit the lanes in latest competition.

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## ■ POLICE, FIRE and EMERGENCY CALLS

### Man shoots himself with illegal gun

**VOORHEESVILLE** — Albany County Sheriff's deputies were called to a South Main Street residence for a report of a man who suffered an injury to his leg on Thursday, Dec 1 at approximately 7 p.m.

After further investigation, deputies determined that Ronald Henry Jr., 37, appeared to have suffered an accidental, self-inflicted gunshot wound and was transported to Albany Medical Center.

Henry did not have a pistol permit for the handgun and could not lawfully possess the weapon.

He was charged with criminal possession of a weapon in the second degree, criminal possession of a weapon in the third degree, criminal possession of a firearm, and tampering with physical evidence, all felonies.

He was arraigned in New Scotland Town Court and sent to the Albany County Jail without bail.

### Crash on Lower Flat Rock Road

**DELMAR** — On Friday, Nov. 18 at approximately 8:37 p.m. Albany County Sheriff's deputies responded to the corner of State Route 443 and Lower Flat Rock Road in New Scotland for a report of a vehicle in a ditch.

Upon arrival, witnesses told officers that they had found the truck in the ditch and the operator was still in the vehicle.

When officers approached the black pickup they found the driver, a 64-year-old Green Island man, still in the driver's seat, with the keys in the ignition and the truck transmission still in drive. The officer observed an odor of an alcoholic beverage emanating from his breath. The man said he

was driving home to Troy from Swifty's where he had two Maker's Mark singles.

The man refused to submit to field sobriety tests and was taken into custody.

At the police station, he provided a breath sample that returned a .16 percent BAC. He was charged with DWI and failing to stop at a stop sign.

He was given an appearance ticket for Thursday, Dec. 1 in New Scotland Town Court and released.

### Driving with no lights, criminal possession methadone

**DELMAR** — Bethlehem police observed a blue Ford Fiesta traveling east on Delaware Avenue without any lights on Wednesday, Nov. 23 at 11:17 p.m. and performed a traffic stop near Delaware Plaza.

Upon interviewing the

driver, Nicholas McGraw Jr., of Watervliet, he said he did not have his identification with him. After a check, McGraw had 14 active suspensions on his license.

The passenger in the car was reclined in the front seat and talking on the phone when the officers interviewed him. He also did not have an ID, but did provide his name or at least part of it. The passenger was identified as Antonio Fonseca, 43, of Albany and wanted on a parole violation warrant.

When asked if he had anything on his person he should not have, Fonseca said he had some methadone he was holding for someone else and a crack pipe. He had four unopened bottles of prescription methadone which did not have his or McGraw's name on it.

Fonseca was arrested for criminal possession of methadone and the parole warrant, both felonies.

McGraw was given an appearance ticket for aggravated unlicensed operation, a misdemeanor, and failing to use headlights, a violation. He was released from the scene.

Fonseca was arraigned by Bethlehem Town Judge Andrew Kirby and sent to the Albany County Jail. He

is scheduled back in court on Tuesday, Dec 20.

### Stolen tips at Comfort Inn leads to more

**GLENMONT** — Bethlehem police responded to a call on Friday, Nov 23, at 10:23 a.m. to investigate the theft of money from a tip jar at the cafeteria of the Comfort Inn on Route 9W.

Responding officers were shown surveillance video of a woman taking the money and returning to a room in the hotel. The staff member attempted to retrieve the money by knocking on the door, but no one would answer. He just wanted the money back for the cafeteria staff and not to press charges.

When the officer spoke with the woman, Natalie Dames, 20, of Albany and a companion, Markus Jubrey, 18, also of Albany, Dames admitted taking \$8 from the tip jar and agreed to return it.

Upon further investigation, the officer found that both Dames and Jubrey had outstanding warrants from Rensselaer County and took them into custody.

They were transported to the Rensselaer County

Jail where they were picked up by the Sheriff's Department.

### Two wanted people and illegal U-turn

**DELMAR** — On Monday, Nov 28, Bethlehem police observed a 2011 Volvo make an illegal U-turn in the intersection of Kenwood and Cherry Avenues.

The officer conducted a traffic stop and found that the driver of the car, Tabatha Sanders, 56, had an outstanding warrant from Saratoga County for grand larceny, a felony, after running a check.

After a check on the identification of a passenger in the Volvo, identified as William Johnson, police found that he also had multiple active warrants from various agencies.

Saratoga County Sheriff's deputy drove to the scene and issued an appearance ticket to Sanders and she was released from the scene.

After contacting the agencies that issued the warrants for Johnson, all of the agencies requested that he be advised to turn himself in at a later date.

Sanders was ticketed for the illegal U-turn.

#### Friday, Nov. 25

10:45 a.m.	Carbon Monoxide Illness	Lincoln Ave	Elsmere VFD
01:06 p.m.	Crash PI	Rockefeller Rd	Elsmere VFD
08:24 p.m.	Rescue	Route 9w	Elsmere, Selkirk VFD

#### Saturday, Nov. 26

08:25 a.m.	Structure Fire Vulnerable LC	Autumn Dr	North Bethlehem VFD
10:32 a.m.	Structure Fire Vulnerable LC	Autumn Dr	North Bethlehem VFD
05:02 p.m.	Structure Fire Alarm	Bethlehem Ct	Elsmere VFD

#### Sunday, Nov. 27

04:32 a.m.	Carbon Monoxide No Illness	Trinity Pl	Selkirk VFD
02:00 p.m.	Crash PI	187 Nb	Selkirk VFD
02:22 p.m.	Structure Fire Possible	St / Andover Rd	Slingerlands, North Bethlehem,

Delmar VFD			
03:55 p.m.	Crash PI	187 Sb	Selkirk VFD
08:49 p.m.	Structure Fire Alarm	Devon Rd	Elsmere VFD
09:35 p.m.	Structure Fire Alarm	Harrison Ave	Elsmere VFD

#### Monday, Nov. 28

11:35 a.m.	Structure Fire Alarm	Route 9w	Selkirk, Elsmere VFD
09:44 p.m.	Structure Fire Alarm	Penn Ln	Elsmere VFD
12:47 p.m.	Crash PI	Rd / Greenock Rd	Elsmere VFD
06:17 p.m.	Vehicle Fire	Frontage Rd	Elsmere VFD
09:33 p.m.	Carbon Monoxide No Illness	Henderson Rd, B	Elsmere VFD

#### Wednesday, Nov. 30

08:03 a.m.	Structure Fire Vulnerable LC	Rockefeller Rd	Elsmere, Delmar VFD
09:31 a.m.	EMS Call	Beverwyck Ln, 9	North Bethlehem VFD
05:14 p.m.	Crash Unknown	Rd / 187	Selkirk VFD
10:09 p.m.	EMS Call	187 NB	Selkirk VFD

#### Thursday, Dec. 1

12:30 p.m.	Rescue	Rockefeller Rd	Elsmere, Slingerlands VFD
07:43 p.m.	Hazardous Condition	Sedgewyck Dr	Elsmere VFD
02:51 a.m.	Structure Fire Vulnerable LC	River Rd	Selkirk, Elsmere VFD

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

## Nardacci named to federal court

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**

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**WASHINGTON, D.C.** — Albany attorney Anne Nardacci was confirmed by the U.S. Senate to serve as The Northern District Of New York Federal Court on Wednesday, Nov. 30.

Nardacci was nominated by President Joe Biden in April at the recommendation of U.S. Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y. The Senate voted 52-44 last week to confirm her nomination.

"Ms. Nardacci is an accomplished attorney, with profound integrity, a sharp legal mind, and a passion for the rule of law that would bring dignity and honor to her post on the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of New York," Schumer said following her confirmation. "I am proud to recommend Albany's own, Anne Nardacci, to serve on the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York."

Nardacci, a partner at Boies Schiller Flexner LLP in Albany, where she has been since 2005, has spent nearly twenty years litigating complex

commercial and antitrust cases in federal courts across the country.

Nardacci began her legal career at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP in New York City, where she served as an associate for three years in their antitrust department. Prior to law school, she served on the staff of former Congressman Michael R. McNulty in Washington, D.C.

Nardacci is a law degree from the Cornell Law School in 2002, after earning a bachelor's degree from Georgetown University in 1998. She served as an editor of the Cornell Law Review and was elected Phi Beta Kappa at Georgetown.

Nardacci will fill a vacancy created after U.S. District Judge Gary Sharpe moved to senior status, which allows him to carry a reduced workload.

Albany County Executive Daniel McCoy added to the adulation with a statement.

"Anne is a sharp legal mind with a wealth of knowledge and experience, who will serve with honor and integrity in this new role."

**■ POLITICS**

# Back to drawing board

State Independent Redistricting Commission votes to release draft Assembly plan to the public

**ALBANY** – The New York State Independent Redistricting Commission voted to release a draft Assembly plan to the public on Thursday, Dec. 1.

According to a statement released Thursday, the commission said that this redistricting plan for the State Assembly is being submitted for public review and comment in accordance with the order of Justice Laurence Love of the Supreme Court of New York County in his opinion of in September and in accordance with Article III, Section 4 of the New York Constitution.

The commission unanimously voted to release this plan to the public for review and comment. The commission also elected a new chair and vice chair, and released a tentative public hearing schedule.

The commission expressed

*"I know I speak for the entire commission when I say we are thrilled to have a unified redistricting plan. I urge the public to review this plan and to submit their comments either in writing or attend a public hearing."*

— Ken Jenkins,  
State Independent Redistricting Commission Chair

pride in having come to a bipartisan consensus. Newly elected Chair Ken Jenkins said: "I know I speak for the entire commission when I say we are thrilled to have a unified redistricting plan. I urge the public to review this plan and to submit their comments either in writing or attend a public hearing."

Pursuant to the Constitution of the State of New York, the draft map is now widely available to the public on the Commission's website along with all relevant data, and related information so that the public can review, analyze, and comment upon the plan. The public can then potentially develop alternative redistricting plans for presentation to the commission at the public hearings.

The commission will begin its statewide tour of public hearings in early 2023. These hearings will be held in 12 different locations throughout New York State as required by the Constitution and the trial court's order.

Newly elected Vice Chair Charles Nesbitt said "I look forward to working together with my colleagues to complete the Assembly map as directed by the court."

The commission is looking forward to the public having the chance to review the draft map and is eager to receive input from all New Yorkers. In addition to attending a public hearing, the public may submit testimony, public comment, and/or maps via the commission's website or via mail.



Terri Egan

## The holidays in Bethlehem

**DELMAR** — Residents gather around the Christmas tree at the intersection of Kenwood and Delaware avenues, best known as The Four Corners, to sing holiday songs before the official lighting of the tree on Sunday, Dec. 4. The event marked the first of a handful of town sponsored events through the coming weeks.

### Holiday Lights in the Park

Elm Avenue Town Park, Saturday, Dec. 10, from 6 to 9 p.m.

### Chanukah Extravaganza

Delmar Four Corners, Monday, Dec. 19, at 5:30 p.m.

### First Night Bethlehem

Delmar Four Corners, Saturday, Dec. 31, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

*Because of logistical challenges, the town is hosting Holiday Lights in the Park instead of the traditional Holiday Parade.*

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## What a treat

ELSMERE — Third-grade students at Elsmere Elementary got quite the treat when students from the BC Barkery visited Mrs. Sericolo's class before Thanksgiving. The group shared the recipe behind the success of the popular BC Barkery dog treats.

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## TOWN GOVERNMENT

# Town Board approves Prop 2

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**  
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**SELKIRK** — Bethlehem Town Board members approved the \$3 million purchase of more than 300 acres of farm and woodlands — including three of the four corners at the Route 9W and Wemple Road intersection — on Tuesday, Nov. 22.

The approval follows an Election Day vote that witnessed 63 percent of residents favoring the proposition earlier this month.

The measure commits the Town to purchase 307 acres of land through various municipal funds, avoiding a municipal bond or additional taxes.

Among the nine parcels 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.

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.

There was no discussion surrounding the vote on Tuesday. Bethlehem Town Supervisor David VanLuven, however, shared his excitement over what he called the "largest municipal farmland protection effort in Hudson Valley history" on Election Day.

"Tonight's dramatic victory not only allows us to ensure these farmlands continue growing crops rather than subdivisions and warehouses, it also showcases to other landowners that Bethlehem is willing to step up and support their responsible land stewardship," he shared in a statement. "The people have spoken and I thank them. It is now time for us to move forward with the shared goal of working together for a better Bethlehem."

The purchase has yet to close, which is expected to occur soon.

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### SPORTS SHORTS

#### Eagle runners finish strong at Nationals

PORTLAND, Ore – The Bethlehem Girls Cross Country team took 17th Place in the 2022 Nike Cross Nationals in Portland, Ore.

Seven members of the Eagle's program competed on Sunday, Dec. 3: senior Annie Bolke, sophomore Charlotte O'Meara, senior Rylee Davis, senior Sarah Guyette, sophomore Kate Bannigan, freshman Olivia Deer and eighth grader Anna Chrapowitzky.

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#### Eagles Girls B'ball open with win

KINGSTON – The season opened on Friday, Dec. 2 with a 70-39 non-league win at Kingston High School.

The Eagles were in control of this game, outscoring Kingston in each quarter.



#### Eagles nip Guilderland

DELMAR – On Tuesday, Nov. 29, the Bethlehem Boys Bowling team kicked off the season with a win against Guilderland at Del Lanes. The Eagles won the match over the Guilderland squad 18 to 14, and 3424 to 3444 in total pins.

John McIntyre / Spotlight News



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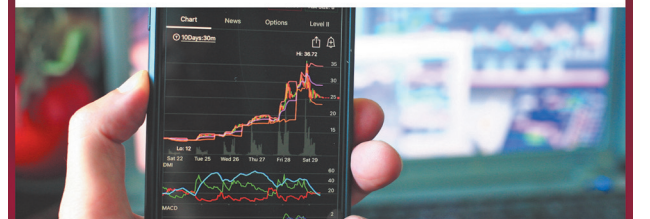
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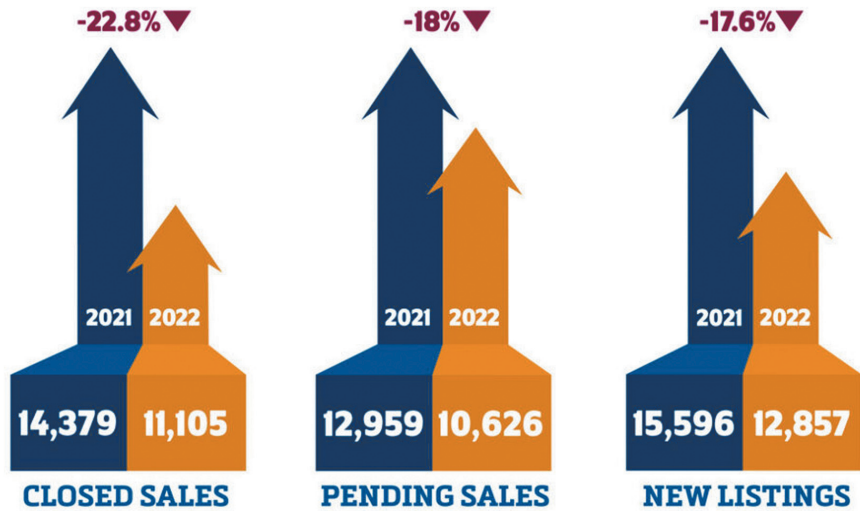
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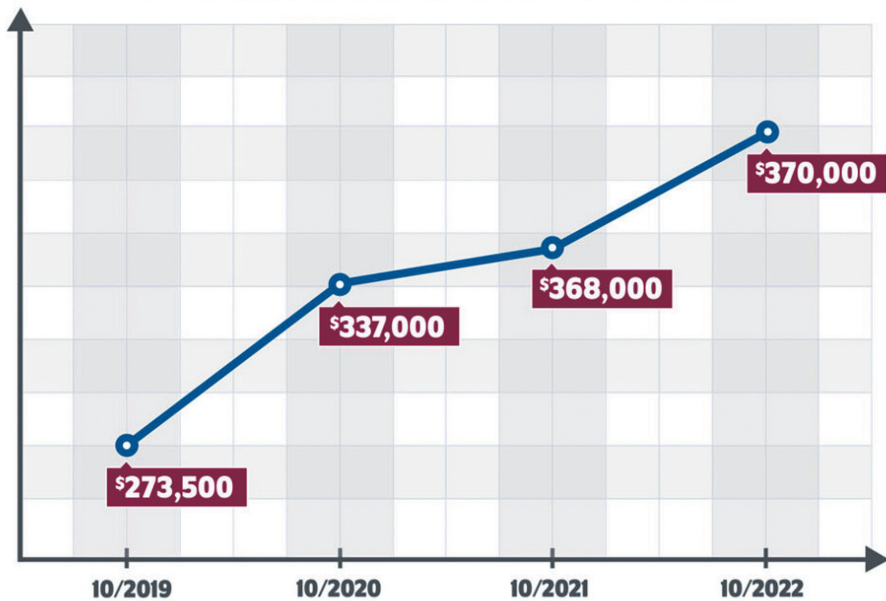


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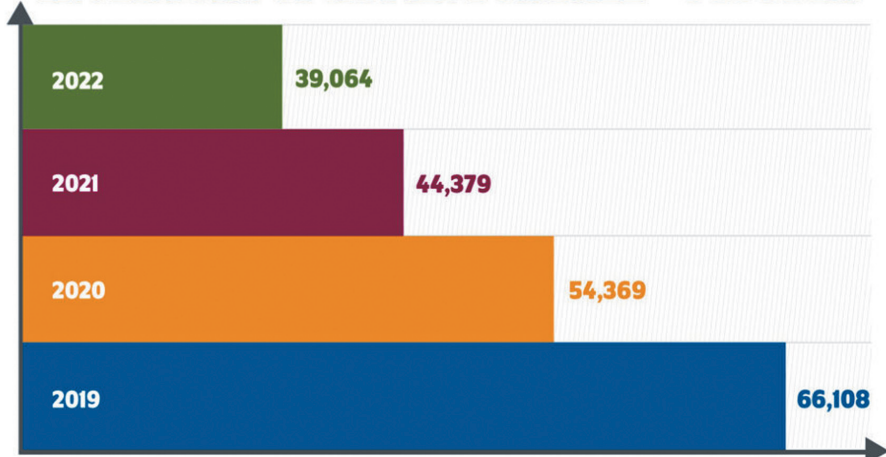
## YEARLY COMPARISON FOR OCTOBER



## MEDIAN SALES PRICE - OCTOBER



## INVENTORY OF HOMES FOR SALE - OCTOBER



All figures compared to year over year adjustments and compiled from multiple listing services in the state of New York. The data include townhomes, condominiums and existing single-family homes.



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## HOUSING

# Sales down 22.8%

Soaring interest rates, low inventory hamper state housing market

**ALBANY** – Interest rates ballooned to the highest monthly average in two decades and housing inventory declined yet again in October, slowing home sales even further across the Empire State, according to the housing report released today by the New York State Association of Realtors.

Inventory of homes for sale fell 12 percent from 44,379 units in October 2021 to just 39,064 homes

available last month. This marks the 36th consecutive month of declining inventory available in year-over-year comparisons.

According to Freddie Mac, mortgage interest rates soared to 6.90 percent in September for the first time since January 2002, when the monthly average on a 30-year fixed rate mortgage stood at seven percent. This marks over a half percent jump from last month when the monthly average commitment rate was 6.11 percent.

Closed sales declined 22.8 percent in October from 14,379 sales in

October 2021 to just 11,105 homes in October 2022. Pending sales were also down, falling 18 percent in year-over-year comparisons from 12,959 units last year to 10,626 homes in October 2022. New listings dropped from 15,596 homes in October 2021 to 12,857 listings last month. This represents a 17.6 decline from a year ago.

The median sales price of homes across New York State increased marginally in October, rising from \$368,000 in October 2021 to \$370,000 last month, marking a 0.5 percent increase.

## ECONOMY

# Jobs climbed in October

State economy added 3,700 jobs

**ALBANY** — According to preliminary seasonally adjusted figures released today by the New York State Department of Labor, the number of private sector jobs in New York State increased over the month by 3,700 to 8,063,300 in October 2022. The number of private sector jobs in the U.S. increased by 0.2 percent in October 2022.

New York State's private sector jobs (not seasonally adjusted) increased by 306,400, or 3.9 percent, over the year in October 2022, which exceeded the 3.8 percent increase in the

number of private sector jobs in the U.S.

New York State's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased from 4.3 percent in September to 4.4 percent in October 2022. At the same time, New York State's labor force (seasonally adjusted) increased by 15,000. As a result, the labor force participation rate went up from 60.3 percent in September to 60.5 percent in October 2022, matching its highest rate since March 2020.

The number of private sector jobs in New York State is based on a payroll survey of New York businesses conducted by the U.S. Department of Labor's

Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). Monthly payroll employment estimates are preliminary and subject to revision as more complete data become available the following month. The BLS calculates New York State's unemployment rate based partly upon the results of the monthly Current Population Survey (CPS) of approximately 3,100 households in the State.

Seasonally adjusted data are used to provide the most valid month-to-month comparison. Non-seasonally adjusted data are valuable in year-to-year comparisons of the same month – for example, October 2021 versus October 2022.

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2264 BROADWAY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/25/22. 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, 2264 Broadway, New York, NY 10024. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299876

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22NDST LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/08/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 60 Cutter Mill Road, Suite 505, Great Neck, NY 11021. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. C-301589

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

25 TIBBITS AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/27/22. 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, 857 First Street, Watervliet, NY 12189. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299958

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

2514 21 STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/13/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 240-61

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Poplar Street, Douglaston, NY 11363. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300939

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

252 SEVENTH AVENUE 10X LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/03/22. 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, 416 Miller's Branch Drive, St. Mary's, GA 31558. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300330

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

27 BEEKMAN STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/18/22. 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, 85-11 218th Street, Queens, NY 11427. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300276

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

273 SWINTON 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-300369

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

320 VC REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/30/22. 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, 320 Van Cortlandt Park Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10705. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301818

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

3765 WILLET AVE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/26/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 875 East 219th Street, Bronx, NY 10467. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300733

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

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405 91 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/23/13. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 9728 Third Avenue, Suite 360, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300278

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

4077 LAUNDROMAT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/25/22. 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, 85-11 218th Street, Queens, NY 11427. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300276

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

4077 WHITE PLAINS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/25/22. 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, 85-11 218th Street, Queens, NY 11427. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300277

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

411 WEST 55TH STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/18/22. 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, 10 E 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301655

**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**

44 REALTY GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/25/22. 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, 1445 58th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299877

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

44 STATE STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/18/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the

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LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 10 E 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301656

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

5-32 50 AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/18/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Ioannis Likidis, 40-30 235th Street, Little Neck, NY 11363. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301668

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

575 1ST AVENUE GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/18/22. 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, 10 E 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301663

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

643-645 ROCKWELL 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, 13 Alley Pond Court, Dix Hills, NY 11030. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300910

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

70 RIVERSIDE GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/18/22. 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, 10 E 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301665

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

9 WEST 100TH STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/18/22. 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, 10 E 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301666

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

906 UNION STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/18/22. 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

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LLC, 10 E 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301667

**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**

99 WHITLOCK LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/27/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Nafatali Unger, 1303 53rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299960

**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**

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ALBORROC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/02/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 25 West 20th Road, Broad Channel, NY 11693. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300374

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ALDEBARAN ADVISORS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/21/22. 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 West 12th Street, 14E, New York, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301683

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ALIJOQ LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/04/22. Office:

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Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, ATTN: Alicia Marino, 2630 Cropsey Avenue, Apt. 4H, Brooklyn, NY 11214. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301198

**NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION**

ALISON FRANKLIN, LCSW PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/10/22. 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, 150 West 79th Street, 2B, New York, NY 10024. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Licensed Clinical Social Work. D-300769

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ALL OF THAT 118, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/02/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 511 E. 118th Street, New York, NY 10035. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300194

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ALNA MECHANICAL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/01/22. 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, 137-18 Rockaway Beach Blvd., Far Rockaway, NY 11694. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300074

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

AP LANCASTER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/29/22. 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, 197 Van Vorst Street, Apartment 1110, Jersey City, NJ 07302. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301789

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

ATLANTIC GROUP SOLUTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/17/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 811 Wisconsin Avenue, Bay Shore, NY 11706. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301177

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

B & S BROTHERS PROPERTIES 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

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LLC, c/o Alam, 900 East 220th Street, Bronx, NY 10469. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. C-301587

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

B.P. MILL STREET, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/03/22. 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 Ilber Pilku, 150 Mill Street, Brooklyn, NY 11231. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300279

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BAW BUILDING SUPPLY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/10/22. 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, 1449 37th Street, Suite 408, Brooklyn, NY 11218. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300772

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BEACH 123RD LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/26/22. 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, 2147 Brigham Street, Brooklyn, NY 11229. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301197

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BEAUTY JUNKIE NY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/09/22. 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, 2147 Brigham Street, Brooklyn, NY 11229. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301590

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BERGEN ASSOCIATES EDMS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/10/22. 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, 68-01 Main Street, Flushing, NY 11367. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300775

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BIG APPLE MAINTENANCE SOLUTIONS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/29/22. 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, 343 Canal Street, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301791

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**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BOILERMAKER EXPRESS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/28/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 85-15 120th Street, #4F, Kew Gardens, NY 11415. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301756

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BUHRE DEVELOPMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/01/22. 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, 2063 Narragansett Avenue, Bronx, NY 10461. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301588

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

BYREDO RETAIL USA LLC. App. for Auth. filed with the SSNY on 10/31/22. Originally filed with Secretary of State of Delaware 10/27/22. 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, 500 7th Avenue, Level 8, New York, NY 10018. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300455

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CA GYRO HOUSE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/21/22. 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, 13-01 146th Place, White-stone, NY 11357. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301684

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

CARUSO'S COLLECTION 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, 162-30 Powells Cove Blvd., 2C, Whitestone, NY 11357. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300941

**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**

CHS RECOVERY PARTNERS HICKSVILLE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/18/22.

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Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 100 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**

CTZ LENDER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/28/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 9728 Third Avenue, Suite 360, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299983

**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

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Street, Suite 800, Office T, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Psychology. D-299671

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

DJ DISTRIBUTORS NYC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/27/22. 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, 26 Commerce Road, Unit J, Fairfield, NJ 07004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299955

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

EAST 80TH STREET GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/03/22. 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, 10 E 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300280

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

EAST NEW YORK COLD STORAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/28/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 900 New Jersey Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301757

**NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION**

EC PSYCHIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/01/22. 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, 115 Franklin Turnpike, PO Box 168, Mahwah, NJ 07430. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Nurse Practitioner in Psychiatry. D-300109

**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-299657

**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

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GRAB YOUR GROUP AND GO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/07/19. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 305 E. 85th St. N, Apt. 17A, New York, NY 10028. Registered agent address c/o United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299962

**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**

JC 110, L.L.C. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/15/22. 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, 271 Madison Avenue, 22nd Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301021

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

JESEDU DELI LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/28/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 4010 73rd Street, Woodside, NY 11377. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300373

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

JOY ARSHI LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/27/22. 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, 271 East 32nd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11226. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299957

**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

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**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**

LAYAN HOLDING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/28/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Maha Taha Husain Abualfaraj, 323 Lenox Road, Unit 2B, New York, NY 10027. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301729

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

LPLUS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/07/22. 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, 3 Hanover Square, #5H, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300746

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

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

LUSYAN LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/22/22. 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 Steven Tulchin, 27110 Grand Central Parkway, Apartment 15Y, Floral Park, NY 11005. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301591

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

M & Y SHINE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/14/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Yalong Albert, 4024 Berrywood Dr., Seaford, NY 11783. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300981

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

MASHALLAH ASSETS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on

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11/15/22. 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, 2919 Gerber Place, Bronx, NY 10465. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301012

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

MAXIMUS GARAGE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/30/22. 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, 10 E 33rd Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10016. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301816

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

MHT TECHNOLOGIES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/25/22. 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, 1961 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island, NY 10302. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299875

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

NK PROPERTIES OF ALBANY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/14/22. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2122. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 524 Sir Charles Way, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-299791

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

NORMANDY PROPERTIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/03/22. 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 Steven Tulchin, 27110 Grand Central Parkway, Apartment 15Y, Floral Park, NY 11005. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301591

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

NTH JAVITS CENTER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/14/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o New Tradition Holdings LLC, 588 Broadway, Suite 905, New York, NY 10012. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-300972

**NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION**

PAPER ROCK PRODUCTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/17/22. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process

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against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 100 State Street, Suite 241, Hackensack, NJ 07601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. D-301178

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## ■ BUSINESS SHORTS

### Glenmont biz wins \$274K grant for Alzheimer's Detection Project

**GLENMONT** — Early Alzheimer's Diagnostics LLC has been awarded a National Science Foundation grant totaling \$274,713 for a project to develop saliva screening tests that can detect Alzheimer's disease before the onset of devastating symptoms such as memory loss.

The announcement was made by Congressman Paul D. Tonko on Friday, Dec. 2.

"Far too many Americans have experienced the devastating impact of Alzheimer's," Tonko said. "Early diagnosis can have a major impact on ensuring access to treatments and vastly improving quality of life for patients and their families. I have long been at the forefront of efforts to increase access to early diagnostics for Alzheimer's disease, and I'm proud to see this innovative research taking place here in the Capital Region. I'm thankful to Early Alzheimer's Diagnostics for their innovative project, and I will continue working to deliver a

compassionate federal response that supports all those living with Alzheimer's and their loved ones."

Early Alzheimer's Diagnostics was awarded \$306,974 award by The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in September to help fund research on new screenings based on blood spectroscopy.

### Cohoes seeks operator for Smiths

**COHOES** — Local businesses, Capital Companies NY and Go Gonzalez, are offering a free-rent and technology grant to bring in a restaurant operator to maintain a downtown Cohoes icon.

These two companies are once again stepping up to garner the interest of an operator to take over the space known for decades as Smiths of Cohoes featuring a 50-foot-long bar. Their goal is to offer an opportunity with lower risk that will bring in the right operator.

"There is much interest in this space, but no one has committed to operating it," said Daniel Oh, managing partner of Capital Companies NY. He said the goal is to find an operator who can

develop a strategy for long-term success. "Our hope is that these incentives that offer a lower investment risk finds the right person with the vision and strategy to flourish in downtown Cohoes."

The value of the grant is estimated to be \$42,000. It includes free rent for one year for a restaurant that seats about 100 people. Additionally, it includes a professional, optimized and ADA-compliant website. This grant offsets the expensive costs of build-out and saves the awardee time and money, which is critical in the investment of a new restaurant.

"This is a business move to lure a good restaurant operator to a space that can be operational in a month. My colleagues and I have invested heavily in Cohoes. We are obligated to our commitments and feel the need to keep the momentum going in the Cohoes Business District," says Manny Santos of Go Gonzalez.

There is one grant available. Interested parties should submit a business plan to [leasing@capitalcompaniesny.com](mailto:leasing@capitalcompaniesny.com). The deadline for submissions is Saturday, Dec. 31.



## NIA gifts \$15K to Ronald McDonald House

**GLENMONT** — Northeastern Insurance Agency awarded a \$15,000 donation to Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Capital Region last week.

In a statement shared by NIA President Michael Venezia, the charity was recognized as a local organization dedicated to drawing on the compassion of their community to deliver and support programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children and families.

The donation started originally as a \$5,000 gift for RMHC of the Capital Region thanks to a submission process with Liberty Mutual and Safeco Insurance® through their 2022 Make More Happen Awards. A story of their local partnership was featured on the official Make More Happen microsite, [www.agentgiving.com/Northeastern-Insurance-Agency](http://www.agentgiving.com/Northeastern-Insurance-Agency), where Northeastern Insurance Agency had the opportunity to raise an additional \$5,000 by conducting a local awareness campaign for the nonprofit. Together with the community, the goal was met increasing the total donation to \$10,000 for RMHC of the Capital Region.

Once Northeastern Insurance Agency achieved their donation goal, they donated another \$5,000 to bring the total donation to \$15,000! This total \$15,000 donation will help RMHC of the Capital Region provide additional supplies to the families living in the House to upgrade their living experiences. The funds will also help with any necessary updates to the House as it has been serving families since 1982.

Throughout 2022, Liberty Mutual and Safeco Insurance will select up to 37 independent agents nationwide for a Make More Happen Award and Liberty Mutual and Safeco Insurance will donate up to \$370,000 to the nonprofits supported by independent insurance agents. Agencies became eligible for the award by submitting an application and photos demonstrating their commitment to a specific nonprofit.

### Stewart's releases holiday ornament

**SARATOGA SPRINGS** — Stewart's Shops unveiled its limited-edition themed ornament for the holiday season.

This year's ornament is the famous Stewart's Shops mascot, Flavor the Cow. It is a ceramic ornament with 2022 imprinted on her bag. Flavor the Cow is holding a Stewart's half gallon of ice cream made from the Best Milk in New York State.

Have you collected them all? 2019 was the year of the coffee cup, 2020 was the ice cream cone, 2021 was a half-gallon. Unfortunately, previous ornaments are no longer available, so hurry and get your ornament before they sell out.



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#### NOTICE OF PLLC FORMATION

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# Preschool Storytime

Join us at 10 a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 13, to hear stories about some of the holidays that are celebrated in the month of December. Children ages 2-5 w/ caregiver are invited to enjoy an interactive, theme-based storytime with an emphasis on early literacy that will include an art activity that can be completed at the library or at home. No registration needed.



## Coding with Robots

You can command robots, but only if you know their language. Children in grades 4-5 are invited to register to learn coding with the library's Ozobots. Join us at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14 to build robots using LEGO SPIKE bricks and app.

## Ugly Sweater Party

Come on out and celebrate in your ugliest holiday sweater at 6 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 14. Snowmen, sparkles, sequins, whatever! Wear your holiday sweater to the party and enjoy some holiday snacks, listen to some holiday music, and make some holiday crafts. Spend some time with your neighbors, who will also be dressed to impress. Please register, so we know how many holiday cookies we'll need.

— Lynn Kohler

# Holiday Movies

Countdown to the holidays and carve out some "me" time with our Wednesday Holiday Movie Series in December. Here's your chance to do something that will make you feel relaxed, renewed, and refueled with the holiday spirit!



We'll be showing "The Family Stone" on Wednesday, Dec. 21, at 2 p.m. The outgoing and eccentric Stone family unites in common cause when their favorite son brings home his uptight and reserved girlfriend to meet the family at Christmas. Starring Sarah Jessica Parker, Diane Keaton, Claire Danes and many more.

## Take and Make and Make Tuesday

Put some holiday music on, have a cup of cocoa, and add some glam to your holiday tree with beaded wreaths! We'll supply everything you need. Pick up begins at 9 am on Tuesday, Dec. 13.

## Countdown to Christmas with Hallmark

Get in the holiday spirit with Hallmark's "feel-good" Christmas movies! Your Library card is your ticket to view them for free on Hoopla! They're always available on Hoopla, so go to the Hoopla site to choose what you will watch!

— Carol Melewski

## LIBRARIES

# Foundation members sought

The Guilderland Library Foundation underwrites several programs and services that make GPL an integral educational and cultural hub of the Guilderland community. To this end, the Foundation meets regularly to identify and fund various initiatives. Their next meeting is on Thursday, Dec. 8, at 6:15 p.m.

New members are welcome! If you would like to find out more about supporting GPL by contributing to a fun group with minimal time commitment, please email Foundation President Steve Wacksmans: wacksmans@guilderlandlibrary.org.

## Family STEAM Night

At the intersection of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art



and Math, you'll find STEAM! Grades 3 and up, come explore fun topics with our local schools and colleges. This month, we welcome Shaker High School's Robotics Team on Thursday, Dec. 8, at 6:30 p.m. Please register on the Events tab of guilderlandlibrary.org.

## Wine and Wrap

We're setting up gift-wrapping stations in the Westbrook Room, complete with holiday music, snacks, and a small glass of wine for you to enjoy while wrapping presents. Bring your bags of gifts and official

ID (such as a driver's license) on Thursday, Dec. 8, at 6:30 p.m. and enjoy a relaxing evening. Please register on Events tab of our website.

## WMHT Family Literacy Program

Hibernation season is upon us! Come watch a short film version of "Bear Snores On" with WMHT's Barbara Lukas, then try your hand at related crafts and activities. This program on Saturday, Dec. 10, at 10:30 a.m. is for children ages Pre-K-Grade 2.

— Luanne Nicholson

# Playtime at the library

Did you know that pretend play helps children think symbolically and develop oral language skills? As children play store or pretend to be an animal, they talk about what they are doing and practice putting thoughts into words.

We believe toys and other learning activities are an important part of early literacy, and that's why we make sure they're available to our littlest patrons in the Children's Place. We've recently added some fun new items, like a pint-sized grocery store, so be sure to schedule a play date at the library soon to check them out. The Children's Place is a comfortable, welcoming place where children and their caregivers can spend some time connecting with others.

While you're here, don't forget to browse all of the amazing picture books on our shelves so



you and your child can bring a favorite story or two home with you.

## Story times, more

For more early literacy opportunities for your toddlers, swing by one of our weekly story times.

Our Baby Bounce & Books for babies and toddlers up to age 35 months is a great way to introduce your child to a lifelong love of reading. These sessions take place every Tuesday through Dec. 20 at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Family Story Times are held Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. through Dec. 22. You and your child, ages 0-6, can enjoy stories, songs and more

together at the library.

Coming up on Friday, Dec. 9, at 10 a.m., we'll be hosting a special Sensory Story Time featuring traditional story time components with sensory elements ideal for children who would benefit from a more low-key story time. For ages 2 and up with a caregiver. Visit our online calendar at bethlehem.librarycalendar.com to sign up.

Story times will resume in January and currently take place in the Community Room. They are open on a first-come basis, except for Sensory Story Time, which requires registration. All abilities are welcome. No signup is required unless noted. There may be a limited capacity for each session. When Bethlehem schools are closed or delayed, all story times are cancelled.

— Kristen Roberts



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### SEFCU

Caeshara Cannon, 32, of Colonie, was arrested on Monday, Nov. 28 after Sheriff's investigators and Bethlehem detectives executed a search warrant in October stemming from the fraud investigation. During the search, investigators found Cannon to be in possession of a .22 caliber handgun.

According to Albany County Sheriff Craig Apple, investigators found the weapon was defaced to remove the serial number and Cannon did not have a permit to have a handgun. Further charges may be coming, he said.

In this incident, she was charged with two counts of criminal possession of a weapon, a felony, and one count of criminal possession of a weapon, a misdemeanor. She was arraigned in Colonie Town Court and released on her

own recognizance.

Fraud case turned over to Feds

Cannon was also the center of a fraud ring that initially involved more than \$100k in fraudulent loans made out with the information of SEFCU customers, according to reports.

The case has now been forwarded to the federal US Attorney's office due to the nature and scope of the fraud, Bethlehem Deputy Chief James Rexford said.

Three additional victims came forward which added \$19,000 to the total fraud, since Spotlight News first reported on this. However, those victims came forward around the time of the original arrests, he said.

"After identifying the fraudulent activity occurring at one of our branches, Broadview FCU's

dedicated team of Financial Crime professionals worked with law enforcement to address this issue." Ken Jubie, Vice President of Communications and Public Relations Broadview FCU said. "We are pleased to share that no additional victims were found (since the original response)."

Because the case was still active, he did not want to comment further on the investigation.

"As you know, the fraud committed against our organization was just a small part of this ring's criminal activity. Still, Broadview is pleased to have played a large role in stopping it," he said. "As always, we continue to prioritize the safety and security of our employees, members, and their assets."

SEFCU and CAPcom announced a merger of the two local credit unions in June, to rebrand under a new name, Broadview Federal Credit Union. Branches currently still display the SEFCU and

CAPcom signage as the rebrand continues.

Spotlight News reached out to the US Attorney's office but did not hear back.

### The Ring

In her capacity as a Glenmont branch teller, Cannon allegedly accessed, stole and forwarded to at least three others in the ring, who then received the personal loans and withdrew money.

On October 13, the SEFCU branch at 12 Vista Blvd in Slingerlands called police to report a man was attempting to use fraudulent identification to withdraw \$20,000 from the credit union. Police arrested Davon Parson, 19, of Albany, from inside the credit union. At the same time, they stopped Evan Cutler, 23, of Menands, in the parking lot for driving without a license in an uninsured vehicle.

Once the two were in custody, police said they started to piece together a larger scheme, with the assistance of SEFCU Fraud Prevention, that involved two additional people. Dnauticah Taylor-Sterman, 20, of Menands, had applied and received a loan a week before under a name she allegedly received from Cannon.

According to police records, the three created supporting documentation after obtaining the identities of SEFCU customers from Cannon. They would then apply for and receive approval for personal loans, receiving cash in the transactions. Police said the first of several transactions began when Parson and Cutler allegedly cashed a \$9,000 check at the Glenmont branch in August.

The investigation is ongoing and more victims have come forward. According to available reports, the timeline is:

**August 13** - Parson and Cutler allegedly cash a \$9,000 check at the SEFCU Glenmont branch against the funds of a

SEFCU customer with information provided by branch employee Cannon. September 21 - Cutler applies for and is approved for a fraudulent personal loan of \$25,000 at SEFCU with the information of a male SEFCU customer received from Cannon using a fake NY driver's license.

**October 7** - Taylor-Sterman applies for and is approved for a \$25,000 personal loan at a SEFCU branch with the information of a female SEFCU customer received from Cannon using a fake NY driver's license. Taylor-Sterman withdrew \$5,000 immediately from the new account and returned with her boyfriend, Cutler, to withdraw the remaining \$20,000.

**October 13** - Bethlehem police were called to the SEFCU Slingerlands branch to investigate Parsons attempting to withdraw \$20,000 from the branch using a fake NY ID Card of another Male. Cutler, who was driving Parsons, was stopped trying to flee in a vehicle by police in the parking lot, gave officers a fake name because he had no license due to DWAI conviction. The vehicle also had no insurance.

Parsons and Cutler are arrested. Parsons has three outstanding warrants from Warren County.

**October 14** - Bethlehem police interview Cannon and execute a search warrant at her residence. Police find a defaced and loaded handgun, cash and a large amount of concentrated cannabis and cannabis packaged for sale. She was arrested for the identity theft charges, but the Albany County Sheriff's office is investigating the weapon and drug charges.

**October 21** - More victims have come forward and further charges are expected. The total money stolen exceeded \$100,000.

**November 28** - Cannon is arrested on weapons charges.

**November 30** - Bethlehem police report the case has been referred to the US Attorney's Office.

The credit union said through a spokesman that it is continuing to monitor the situation.

"Maintaining the safety and security of our employees, members, and their assets is our top priority. We are cooperating with law enforcement to ensure this situation is resolved swiftly and justice is served," Jubie said in October.

Bethlehem police originally charged Cutler with felonies of grand larceny, identity theft, possession of a forged instrument, falsifying business records and misdemeanors of false impersonation, criminal impersonation, operating a motor vehicle without insurance, conspiracy and aggravated unlicensed operation.

Parson was charged with felonies of grand larceny, identity theft, possession of a forged instrument, falsifying business records and misdemeanors of conspiracy and criminal impersonation. He was also wanted on three outstanding warrants from Warren County Sheriff's office.

Taylor-Sterman was charged with felonies of grand larceny, identity theft, possession of a forged instrument, falsifying business records and misdemeanor criminal impersonation.

Cannon was charged with felonies of grand larceny, identity theft, possession of a forged instrument, falsifying business records.

Additional Federal charges may be coming now that the US Attorney's office has the case.

All four were arraigned in Bethlehem Town Court by Andrew Kirby and released on their own recognizance at that time. Parson was handed over to the Warren County Sheriff's office.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor –

As a longtime Spotlight subscriber, the paper does a good job of keeping readers informed about local crimes and offenses. When an incident of shoplifting, larceny or other non-violent crime occurs, the people taken into custody are almost always identified by name, address or location.

When arrests are for DUI or driving while the influence of drugs, the time, place and description is listed, but names and addresses are seldomly mentioned. Driving a 3,500lb vehicle while ability impaired is a hazard to the public. By not identifying those arrested, it seems The Spotlight is giving the impression those offenses are less serious, as DUI arrests were viewed by many years ago.

*Alan Via*

Slingerlands

Editor's Note: For several years, The Spotlight has produced a crime blotter as a means of capturing the activity of our local law enforcement agencies. The action detailed within the report helps provide insight to our readers of the type of hard work our police officers endure while protecting the communities we love.

But for nearly as long as we've produced this weekly report, our reporters have debated over its merits. Reporting the names of those accused of a crime before they reach trial is in contrast with what we've long understood as the need for our judicial system — that all are assumed innocent

until proven guilty. With our staff unable to allocate time to attend the courts, it's been argued that the blotter can be a disservice to our community.

As a compromise, we only included names of those involved with felony crimes and DWI/DUI arrests.

With the advent of the internet, we excluded DWI/DUI reporting from our website due to the frequency in which those charges are reduced. For similar reasons stated by Mr. Via, we had felt the need to keep the names of those arrested for DWI/DUI in the paper. With the internet a near permanent record, we refrained. But, despite these efforts, we found that scanned archives of our publication allow for information to be scrubbed and appear on internet search engines.

In recent weeks, we changed our policy.

As you may have observed, we continue to report on DWI/DUI charges, but excluded the names of those who have been charged when the crime falls under a misdemeanor. When the DWI/DUI charges is a felony, we name the accused just as we do with all felony crimes.

As motorists, we often forget the dangers associated with driving a vehicle at the speeds in which we travel each day. But the act of getting behind the wheel after drinking alcohol or using drugs is so egregious, we continue to report on the crime as a means of reminding our readers of the consequences of the crime.

We're just a click away.





## Pre-game before the big day

ELSMERE — Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus was at Delaware Plaza as part of the Toys for Tots drive involving scores of stores and businesses across town on Saturday, Nov. 26.

Michael Hallisey / Spotlight News

## MHLC announces Giving Challenge

**DELMAR** — The Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy announced a fundraising challenge that promises that every donation it receives will be matched for up to \$50,000.

The conservancy group attributes the help from two donations, one from Marcie Love and another from an anonymous donor, for its ability to potentially match incoming donations between now and the end of the year.

The conservancy group said in a statement that each donation will help save environmentally important places, protect fertile farmlands and maintain more than 35 miles of trails for recreation and community health.

Donations of \$250 or more will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win an original oil painting by artist Ken Wilson.

For more information, visit [www.mohawkhudson.org/donate](http://www.mohawkhudson.org/donate).

## BART Foundation fundraiser Saturday

**DELMAR** — A celebration of the life of Bart Goldstein will be held by his friends and family at the Real McCoy Brewery on Saturday Dec. 10, from 5 to 8 p.m.

The celebration is a fundraiser for The Brain Alternative Rehabilitation Therapies [BART] Foundation, which explores and promotes the use of safe alternative therapies for brain injuries. The fundraiser will feature food, drinks, a raffle and a silent auction.

Copies of “No Stone Unturned,” a book written by Bart’s father about his son’s recovery from a traumatic brain injury, will also be available to purchase.

The Real McCoy Brewery is located on 20 Hallwood Road.

## COMMUNITY SHORTS

### Name the Bethlehem Chamber Polar Bear

**DELMAR** — The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce is hosting a naming contest for the Polar Bear mascot that will be making its debut at the First Night celebration in Delmar on Dec. 31. The Chamber is offering a \$25 gift card to Romo’s Pizza for the winning entry.

One entry per household (address). Entries must be received by Monday, Dec. 19, close of business.

Entries may be dropped off at the Chamber office, 318 Delaware Ave, Suite 27, Delmar; or emailed to [info@bethlehemchamber.com](mailto:info@bethlehemchamber.com). Entry should include: family or individual’s name sending in the entry, address, phone, email and, Polar Bear Name.

Individuals can also submit a name on the Chamber’s facebook page. If there are multiples of the same name, the first one received of similar names, should it be selected, will be named the winner. The Chamber staff will select the winning name on Dec. 19 based on creativity and connection to Bethlehem.

### Tips to navigate holiday shopping

**ALBANY** — As part of its five-part consumer alert holiday series, the Department of State’s

Division of Consumer Protection reminds shoppers of New York State laws that protect consumers so they can make informed decisions about holiday purchases. To avoid surprises, DCP recommends that consumers carefully review and understand what to look for when reviewing return and refund policies.

“Experts are predicting a strong holiday spending season despite recent economic challenges and as a result, we’re expecting more consumer activity this holiday season,” said New York Secretary of State Robert Rodriguez. “To avoid any surprises, I urge New Yorkers to pay attention to policies surrounding returns and refunds to be sure you are comfortable with the terms and know the policy before you buy.”

Around the holidays, gift givers and receivers often change their minds. According to the National Retail Federation, retail returns increased significantly last year (16.6 percent in 2021 versus 10.6 percent in 2020) and this year they’re expecting more. To help navigate the busy shopping season, DCP offers the following tips:

**Pay Attention to Return Policies:** New York State law requires that retailers post their return and refund policies conspicuously to inform consumers before the transaction is completed. Retailers must

provide a written copy of the store’s return policies when requested.

New York State Law does not require retailers to accept returns, however, they must post a conspicuous notice visible to consumers before the point of sale advising that no returns will be accepted.

If the retailer does not post a return policy, the law requires the retailer to accept returns of unused, undamaged merchandise within 30 days of the purchase date, with proof of purchase, and provide a refund in the form — cash or a credit — of the consumer’s preference

**Understand the Refund Terms:** For retailers that allow returns, New York State law does not require refunds to be given in any specific manner. However, it does require the form of the refund — cash, credit, or exchange — be clearly disclosed in advance of purchase. Retailers must also disclose any fees associated with the return. If no fee is listed, shoppers should inquire whether the store imposes a re-stocking fee for returned merchandise and determine prior to purchase if the item can be returned for a refund or only store credit.

**Retain Any Proof of Purchase:** Consumers should retain receipts in the event a product needs to be returned, and when purchasing gifts, ask if a gift receipt is available.

Consumers having trouble obtaining a store refund are encouraged to file a complaint with the New York State Division of Consumer Protection.

The New York State Division of Consumer Protection provides resources and educational materials to consumers, as well as voluntary mediation services between consumers and businesses. The Consumer Assistance Helpline 1-800-697-1220 is available Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, excluding State Holidays, and consumer complaints can be filed at any time at [www.dos.ny.gov/consumer-protection](http://www.dos.ny.gov/consumer-protection).

For more consumer protection tips, follow the Division on social media at Twitter: @NYSConsumer and Facebook: [www.facebook.com/nysconsumer](http://www.facebook.com/nysconsumer).

### Books become works of Chanukah art at B’nai Sholom

**ALBANY** — B’nai Sholom Reform Congregation will offer another workshop on the art of book folding Monday, Dec. 12, from 7 to 8 p.m., at the synagogue, 420 Whitehall Road, Albany, New York.

Book folding is the art of repurposing hardcover books into book sculptures, a modern twist on origami. It’s an easy craft to learn, is eco-friendly and fun for

ages 13 to adult.

Participants in this one-session class will make a dreidel, creating a unique work of Chanukah art.

The workshop will be led by Beth Oldrich, author of Book Folding for Beginners and Beyond and daughter of B’nai Sholom members Bruce and Edith Goldstein of Voorheesville.

This in-person-only workshop is free and open to the public. Participants are to bring scissors and a hardcover book of at least 250 pages and 8.5 inches tall with no photos to use for the folding. Registration is required.

B’nai Sholom monitors the rapidly changing COVID situation and follows state and CDC health guidelines regarding masking and social distancing. Mask policy will depend on the CDC COVID-19 Community Level at the time.

For more information or to register, contact the B’nai Sholom office: 518-482-5283 or [office@bnaisholom.albany.ny.us](mailto:office@bnaisholom.albany.ny.us).

Celebrating its 50th anniversary, B’nai Sholom Reform Congregation in Albany is a home for contemporary Reform Judaism in the Capital Region. Nearly 130 diverse households from six counties seek religious, educational and social fulfillment at B’nai Sholom.



**Feeling Victorian**

Images captured at Troy's Victorian Stroll.

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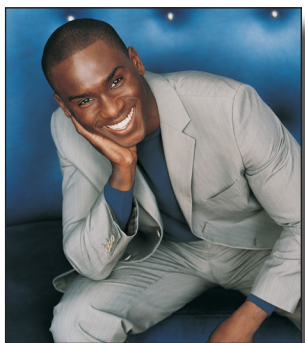
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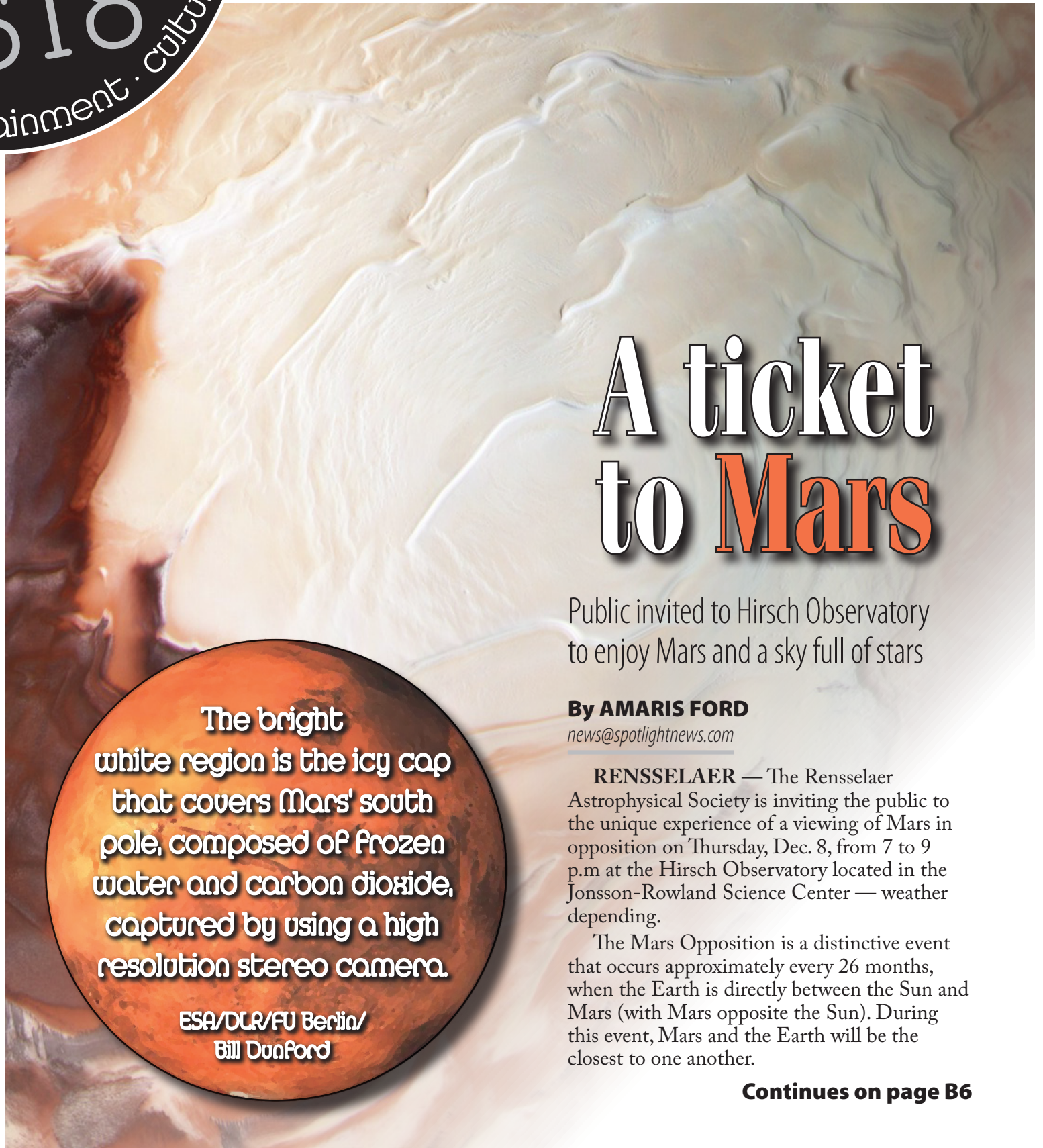
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**Olde tyme Xmas**

List of events happening at the Ten Broeck Mansion.

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# A ticket to Mars

Public invited to Hirsch Observatory to enjoy Mars and a sky full of stars

By **AMARIS FORD**  
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**RENSSELAER** — The Rensselaer Astrophysical Society is inviting the public to the unique experience of a viewing of Mars in opposition on Thursday, Dec. 8, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Hirsch Observatory located in the Jonsson-Rowland Science Center — weather depending.

The Mars Opposition is a distinctive event that occurs approximately every 26 months, when the Earth is directly between the Sun and Mars (with Mars opposite the Sun). During this event, Mars and the Earth will be the closest to one another.

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The bright white region is the icy cap that covers Mars' south pole, composed of frozen water and carbon dioxide, captured by using a high resolution stereo camera.

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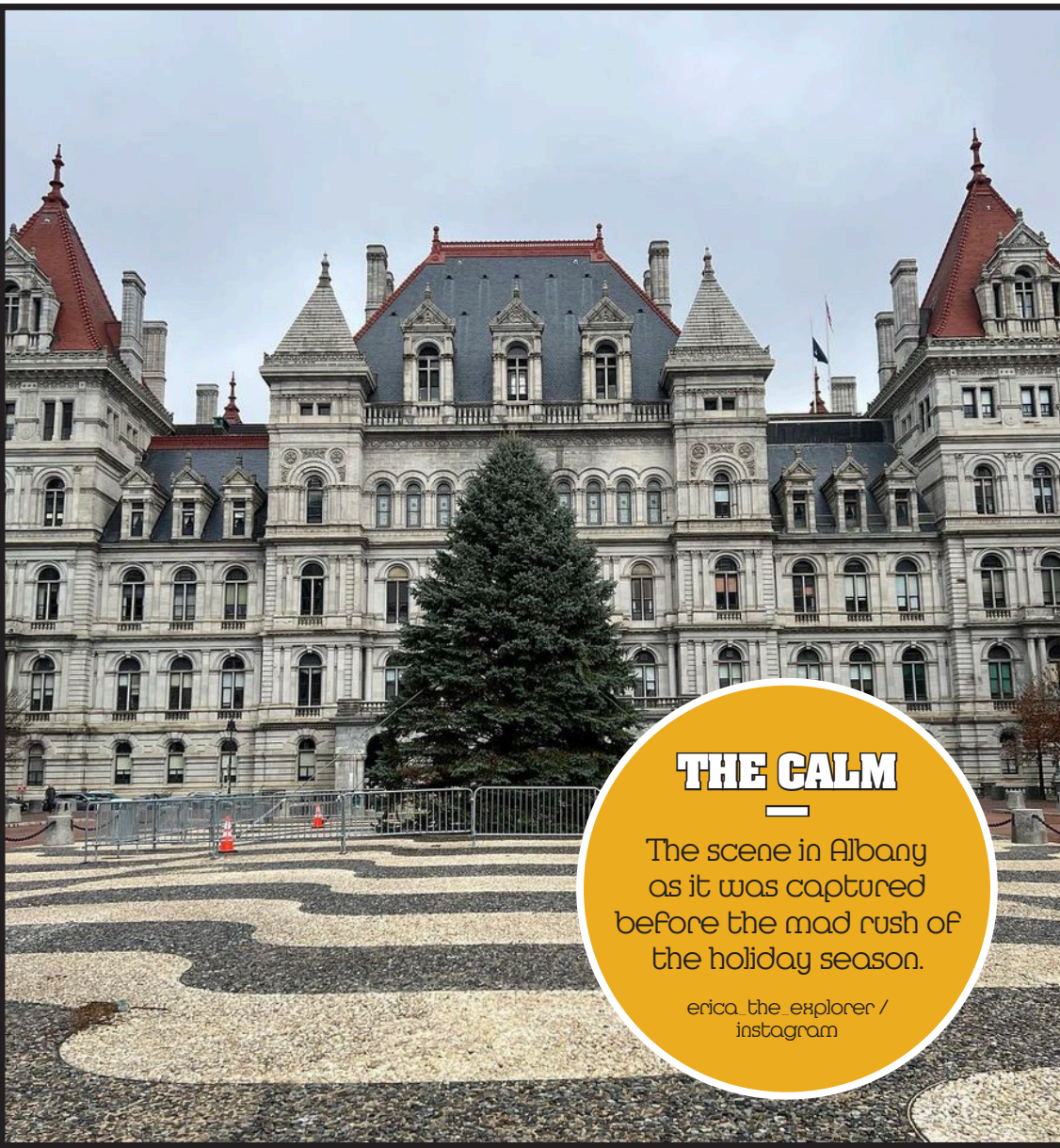
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"I think most people are really curious about what goes on in space, and I think NASA's current plans with Artemis are something that is really going to bring people together."




— Aidan Kaminsky,  
Rensselaer Astrophysical  
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rise in US reality shows. All this has required the average male to up his game, knowing that he might be compared to what others see on social media or TV - and encourage him to make the most of himself.

Grooming advice website, Tools of Men, wanted to see how this trend

overall part of looking good, as they say.

The national average is 27 minutes.

Perhaps surprisingly, it is Delawarean men who take the longest preparing before a night out - a full 35 minutes on average! Conversely, Montanan men are less bothered about their appearance, spending only 10 minutes getting ready.

The survey also found that men say that the element that takes up most

time while getting ready for a night out is choosing their outfit (69 percent), doing their hair takes second (23 percent) while 8 percent said it is skin prepping - moisturizing, toning, shaving etc.

Nearly a quarter of men (22 percent) confessed they actually pluck their eyebrows, while 10 percent said they

would be prepared to get into debt buying grooming products such as razors, moisturizers, or teeth whitening products, which don't come cheap. And in a sign that times really have changed, over 1 in 10 heterosexual men admit they take longer to get ready than their partner.

"People's views on male grooming have shifted significantly in recent years," said Adam Williams of Tools of Men. "Our survey shows that men are actively looking after their appearance and enjoying taking care of it, which is very encouraging to see."

Looking good takes preparation, and plenty of men don't shy away from plucking, moisturizing and plotting out how they'll step out tonight.

FASHION

# Don't sweat the technique

The average New York man takes his time getting ready for a night out

a few minutes on his grooming regime - a dab of deodorant, a squirt of hair gel - would have been laughable. But - some might say thankfully - attitudes have changed.

Times have changed. Only a few years ago, the idea of a man spending more than

Perhaps it's the boom in social media, making it acceptable for people to portray themselves more and more on camera, or the

One in five men pluck their eyebrows and 10 percent are prepared to go into debt before they stop buying grooming products. Nearly as many admit they spend more time getting ready than their partner.

has translated to American men, and polled 3,000 of them to find out just how long they spend getting ready for a night out. The results showed that the average New York man spends a not-insignificant 29 minutes getting ready (not including showering) - fairly long, we can all agree, considering they (mostly) won't be applying makeup or spending time drying long hair. But maybe they're just enjoying the process of a little self-care and pampering - after all, feeling good is an

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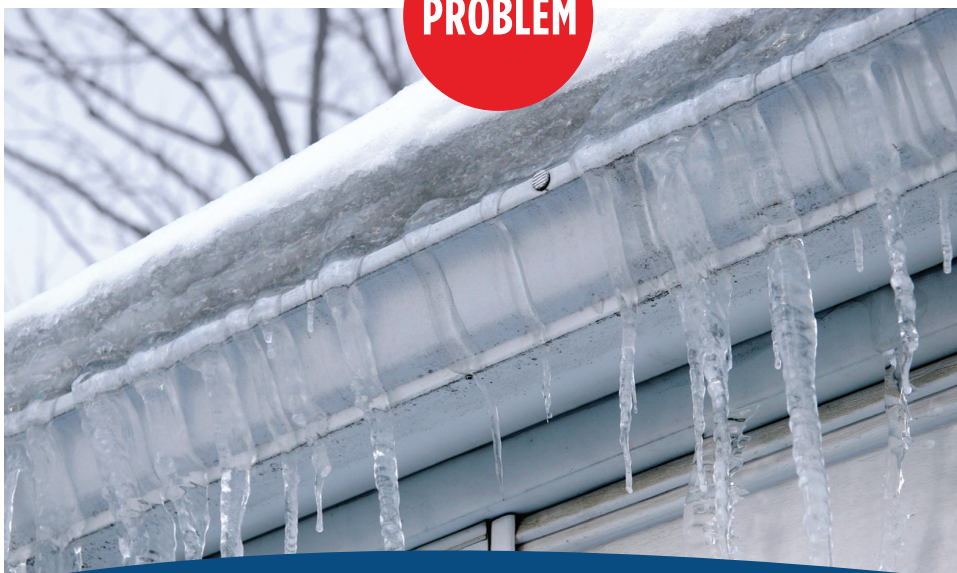
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# Party along with the Ten Broecks again

ACHA announces 2022 Holiday House programs at Ten Broeck Mansion

**ALBANY** — The Ten Broeck Mansion, home of the Albany County Historical Association, announced its Holiday House 2022 schedule last week.

Shimmering lights, festive trees and bright garlands inside and out set the scene at the Ten Broeck Mansion, a historic house museum that welcomes the community as a place to make family memories today. Tours with timed tickets are on select Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, from December 3 to 18.

Indoor admission is by timed tickets available via the ACHA's website [www.tenbroeckmansion.org](http://www.tenbroeckmansion.org). Walk-through tours feature docents to share information about holidays in the past, special displays related to food holiday preparation, and the history of the Ten Broeck Mansion. Adults \$5. Children and ACHA members free. Free children's activities for



**The Albany County Historical Association welcomes crowds back to the Ten Broeck Mansion to celebrate the holiday season in a festival, old-school way.**

The Albany County Historical Association

all tours include "Indoor Forest" and "Round the World" activities for children, plus free take-home ornament kits.

On Sunday Dec. 11, following a caroling program from the Ten Broeck Mansion porch the week before, the Capital District Chapter of the Embroiderers Guild of America will present historical embroidery

demonstrations.

On Saturday, Dec. 17, from 11 am to noon, "Sinterklaas" the Dutch St. Nicholas and the patron saint of children is available for free family photos outdoors and holiday stories on the Mansion's decorated porch. At the same time is a free Children's Tea Party with tea tasting and tea chest treasure box

project. Learn about holiday and food traditions from around the world. Free and open to families. Pre-registration required for Children's Tea Party.

The ACHA presents free Arts & Culture Talks: Wednesdays at 7 pm via Zoom. Pre-registration required for link. Presentations are December 14 Holiday Fiber Art with Dr. Krysta Dennis, Siena College, Loudonville and December 21 Songs of Christmas Past with Julie Johnson, DAR Museum, Washington DC.

The Ten Broeck Mansion also features a Wreath Sale and Museum Shop sale, featuring wreaths and artisanal goods designed and made by local garden clubs and artisans. Artisan shop hours Fridays from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 3 p.m. from Dec 2 to 18.

The community is invited to bring non-perishable food items, which the ACHA will distribute to a local food pantry.

The ACHA thanks the following organizations who

generously volunteered to decorate and make wreaths for the Ten Broeck Mansion: Delmar Progress Club, Helderview Garden Club, Bethlehem Garden Club, Mohawk-Hudson Weavers' Guild, and the Capital District Chapter of the Embroiderers Guild of America, Jim and Nancy Liotta for the loan of an 1890s music box, and thanks Stewart's Shops for their generous sponsorship.

The Ten Broeck Mansion was built in 1798 for Abraham and Elizabeth Ten Broeck. The ACHA was founded in 1942 and received the 1798 Ten Broeck Mansion as a gift from the Olcott family in 1948. The mission of the ACHA is to preserve, present, promote, and interpret the stories of the rich and diverse history and culture of Albany County. Its four-acre museum site includes the Mansion, gardens, and exhibit and gallery space at King's Place.

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## From page B1 ... An eye on Mars

This celestial arrangement means that Mars will be large and bright, lending itself to an exciting viewing experience. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend, including members, non-members, and the general public.

The event will be well equipped with viewing instruments, and attendees can bring their own. The Hirsch Observatory houses a Boller and Chivens 16" Cassegrain Telescope, a SBIG imaging camera, a SBIG spectrograph, and a CFW-8 filter wheel.

The telescopes will be pointing out of the Jonsson-Rowland Science Center's roof; viewers can enjoy using them to look up at Mars for an optimally clear image of the red planet. Throughout the event, RAS members will be on hand to answer any questions.

Jonsson-Rowland Science Center has an individual history, recognized by President John F. Kennedy for its

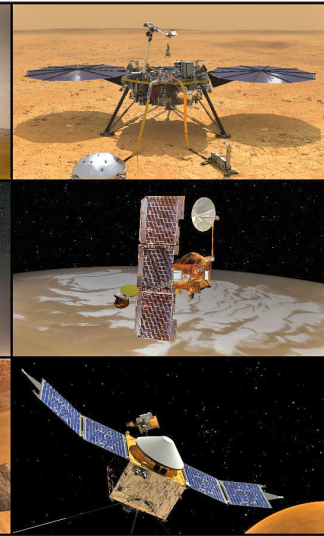
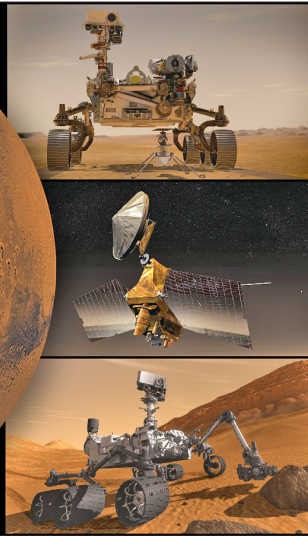
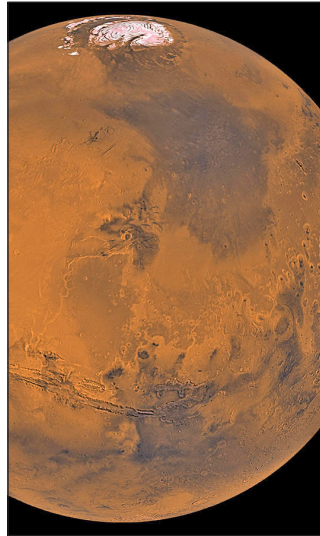
technological advances. In 1983, the Hirsch Observatory found a new home on top of its south wing. Now, RAS works collaboratively with the Jonsson-Rowland Science Center and physics department to keep it open and maintained for the public.

Space exploration and technology have a long history, and Rensselaer Astrophysical Society Vice President Aidan Kaminsky also has a personal history with space that he shared with his father.

"I'm from Florida," he said, "and I remember my dad telling me about his excitement going to Cape Canaveral to see a launch, and that really stuck with me."

"I think many others like him are fascinated by the exciting science to come from these launches," he mused.

Recently, many turned their eyes to the sky with NASA's latest launch of Artemis 1. With the goal



NASA's Mars missions, clockwise from top left: Perseverance rover and Ingenuity Mars Helicopter, InSight lander, Odyssey orbiter, MAVEN orbiter, Curiosity rover, and Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter.

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of putting people back on the moon, it is a mission that has not been replicated since the original Apollo missions. Kaminsky believes that interest in space is higher than ever.

"I think most people are really curious about what goes on in space, and I think NASA's current plans with Artemis are something that is really going to bring people together," he added.

**An future astronomer peers into space at the Hirsch Observatory located in the Jonsson-Rowland Science Center.**

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Thurs: **Lost Radio Rounders Holiday Sampler** | 8 p.m.  
Fri: **Veena And Devesh Chandra** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Peter Davis Solo** | 8 p.m.  
Sun: **Planet Light** | 7 p.m.

**Carson's Woodside Tavern**  
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Thurs: **Jay Yager & Chris Dollard** | 8 p.m.  
Fri: **Eric Kufs** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Nick Horace & Wayne Hawkins** |



## Pigeons and Dogs at Empire Live, oh my

Jam funk band Pigeons Playing Puing Pong return to Albany to play Empire Live on Friday, Dec. 9, along with psychedelic jam band Dogs in a Pile. Go to [ticketweb.com](https://www.ticketweb.com) for tickets.

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308 Union St., Schenectady  
518-393-2337  
Wed: **The Silver Arrow Band** | 5 p.m.  
Fri: **Joe Severino** | 2 p.m.  
Sat: **Imi** | 5 p.m.

**Cohoos Music Hall**  
58 Remsen St., Cohoes  
518-434-0776  
Thurs: **Classic Rock Productions** | 8 p.m.  
Fri: **Groovin** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Start Making Sense** | 8 p.m.

**The Comedy Works**  
388 Broadway, Saratoga Springs  
877-565-3849  
Fri: **Ross Bennett** | 8 p.m.

**Curtain Call Theatre**  
1 Jeanne Jugan Lane  
Latham, NY  
Tel: 518 - 877 PLAY (7529)

**Druthers Brewing Company**  
1053 Broadway, Albany  
(518) 650-7996

**Eden Cafe**  
269 Osborne Road #3, Albany  
518-977-3771  
Thurs: **Who's Line is it** | 7 p.m.  
Sun: **Tony Leonardi's Big Band** | 2 p.m.

**The Egg**  
Empire State Plaza., Albany  
518-473-1845  
Fri: **Pokey LaFarge** | 8 p.m.

Sat: **The Nutcracker** | 1 p.m.

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

**Empire Live/Underground**  
93 North Pearl St., Albany  
866-468-3399  
Fri: **Pigeons Playing Ping Pong** | 7 p.m.  
Fri: **Extinction AD** | 9 p.m.  
Sun: **Thievery Corporation** | 8 p.m.

**Empire State Plaza**  
Empire State Plaza., Albany  
518-474-2418

**Fort Orange Brewing**  
450 North Pearl St, Albany  
518-992-3103

**Frog Alley Brewing Co.**  
108 State Street Schenectady  
518-631-4800

**Fuze Box**  
12 Central Avenue Albany  
518-992-6434  
Wed: **Chicks Are Funny** | 7 p.m.  
Fri: **Michael Palascak** | 7:30 p.m.

**Grappa '72**  
818 Central Ave., Albany  
518-482-7200  
Thurs: **The Hamilton Street Jazz Trio** | 5:30-8:30 p.m.  
Fri: **Earl Davis with Peg & Bill Delaney** | 5:30-8:30 p.m.

**The Hangar on the Hudson**  
675 River St., Troy  
518-272-9740.

**The Hollow Bar + Kitchen**  
79 North Pearl St., Albany  
518-426-8550

**Lark Hall**  
351 Hudson Ave, Albany  
518-599-5804  
Fri: **Dead Man's Waltz** | 9 p.m.  
Sat: **Phish vs. Dead** | 8 p.m.

**The Linda**  
339 Central Ave, Albany  
518-465-5233  
Fri: **Moondance** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Holding These Moments** | 7 p.m.  
Sun: **Paige Turner** | 7 p.m.

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

**Nashville Of Saratoga**  
39 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs  
518-909-6274  
Fri: **4 Wheel Drive** | 8 p.m.

**Nanola**  
2639 Rt 9, Malta  
518-587-1300

**No Fun**  
275 River Street Troy Ny  
Wed: **Mystic Disco Planetarium Party** | 8 p.m.  
Thurs: **Wrasp / Exitum** | 8 p.m.  
Fri: **Weakened Friends / Pencildive / Ladybyrd** | 8 p.m.

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

**The Palace Theatre**  
19 Clinton Ave., Albany  
518-465-4663

**Panza's**  
129 So. Broadway, Saratoga Springs  
518-584-6882  
Fri: **Take Two Feat. Kim Britton and Ron Comstock** | 7 p.m.  
Sun: **Sinatra & Friends** | 5 p.m.

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

**The Parting Glass**  
40-42 Lake Ave., Saratoga Springs  
518-583-1916  
Sat: **Rick Bolton and Friends** | 7 p.m.

**Paulys Hotel**  
337 Central Ave., Albany  
518-426-0828  
Wed: **Keep Flying, Postage, Under The Den** | 8 p.m.  
Fri: **Code Blue!** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Hygeer** | 8 p.m.

**Proctors**  
432 State Street., Schenectady  
518-346-6204  
Wed: **Hairspray** | 7 p.m. (until Sunday)  
Fri: **Twas the Land of the Night Before** | 7:30 p.m.

**Putnam Place**  
63a Putnam St., Saratoga Springs  
518-584-8066  
Thurs: **SunSquabi** | 8:30 p.m.

Sat: **Deer Tick w/ Izzy Heltai** | 8 p.m.

**Rare Form Brewing Company**  
90 Congress Street Troy  
(518) 326-4303

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

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

**Rustic Barn Pub**  
150 Speoigletown Rd, Troy  
518-235-5858  
Wed: **Open Mic** | 6 p.m.  
Fri: **The Harmonic Duo** | 7 p.m.  
Sat: **Big Fez and the Surfmatcs** | 7 p.m.

**The Saratoga Winery**  
462 NY-29, Saratoga Springs  
Fri: **Seth Warden Trio** | 6 p.m.

**Saratoga National**  
458 Union Avenue Saratoga Springs  
518.583.4653

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

**Sand Lake Center for the Arts**  
2880 NY 43 Averill Park  
518-674-2007  
Fri: **Sand Lake History Exhibit** | 12 p.m.

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

**Troy Savings Bank Music Hall**  
30 Second St., Troy  
518-273-0038  
Wed: **Soweto Gospel Choir** | 7:30 p.m.  
Sat: **Holiday Classics** | 7:30 p.m.  
Sun: **Holiday Classics Matinee** | 3 p.m.

**UPH**  
25 Washington Street, Saratoga Springs  
(518) 346-6204  
Sun: **Charles Weidman's Christmas Oratorio** | 4 p.m.

**Vapor**  
342 Jefferson St, Saratoga Springs  
(518) 584-2110  
Sat: **Skeeter Creek** | 8 p.m.

**Van Slyck's**  
Rivers Casino & Resort  
1 Rush St., Schenectady  
518-579-8800  
Fri: **DJ Kevin Richards** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Martin And Kelly** | 8 p.m.

**Waterworks Pub**  
76 Central Ave., Albany  
518-465-9079  
Fri: **Friday Night Dancing & Karaoke** | 10 p.m.-4 a.m.  
Sat: **Saturday Night Dancing & Drag** | 10 p.m.-4 a.m.

**Wicked**  
1602 Route 9, Clifton Park  
518-467-8900

**Wishing Well Restaurant**  
745 Saratoga Rd., Wilton  
518-584-7640

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## EXHIBITS

### Albany Institute of History and Art

#### Paul Scott: New American Scenery

In this exhibition, artist Paul Scott assesses the American landscape from a contemporary approach, one that deals with issues of globalization, energy generation and consumption, capitalism, and immigration, as well as the human impact on the environment. The images that Scott creates for his ceramic plates, platters, and pitchers depict unsettling views of nuclear power plants, landfills, abandoned industrial sites, aging urban centers, and isolating walls. As representations of the American landscape, they suggest a subversion of the picturesque aesthetic—the unpicturesque picturesque—and a new, disturbing norm, a new way of envisioning ourselves, our physical environment, and our society. Exhibit is going until December 31st.

#### Jan Brett: Stories Near and Far

Jan Brett: Stories Near and Far is a comprehensive overview of artist/illustrator Jan Brett's work, showcasing her rich illustrated narratives and beloved characters and highlighting her impressive publishing career which spans more than four decades. The exhibition has been organized by the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, Massachusetts and will be on view at the Albany Institute of History & Art July 23rd through December 31st.

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

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

**Ancient Egypt-** Egyptologist and Guest Curator Dr. Peter Lacovara has incorporated the research and scientific

discoveries revealed in the GE Presents: The Mystery of the Albany Mummies exhibition into a new exhibition about Ancient Egypt. This exhibit is currently ongoing.

**Traders & Culture: Colonial Albany and the Formation of American Identity-** This exhibition looks at those diverse peoples who shaped colonial Albany and the objects that reflect their interests, values, commercial, and social interactions. This exhibit is currently ongoing. The Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave. Albany, 518.463.4478.

#### Albany International Airport

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

#### Arts Center

##### of the Capital Region

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

#### The Clark Art Institute

**Imaginary City-** The large-format, abstract paintings of Tomm El-Saieh (b. 1984, Port-au-Prince; lives and works in Miami) teem with dense and dynamic marks that evoke ornament, language, and architecture. By variously layering and erasing his linework, and using



## HOT DATE

### START MAKING SENSE!

*This tribute man has amassed a great reputation as being the best to perform the music of the Talking Heads. See them at Cohoes Music Hall on Saturday, Dec. 10, at 8 p.m.*

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 Thursdays); Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. 15 Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Admission: Adults (13+), \$12; seniors (65+), \$10; children (3-12) \$8. Additional \$6/person for planetarium show. 518-382-7890 or www.miSci.org

#### New York State Museum

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

In choosing their wedding clothes, brides and grooms are influenced by fashion, economics, technology, religion, geography, celebrity, personal taste, and their role in society. This was as much the

case in 19th-century New York as it is today. Wedding clothing holds memories, and pieces—dresses, shoes, suits, and head wear—are often preserved and passed to subsequent generations. A couple's choices reveal historical information about both the individuals who wore them and those who made them. Some garments find their way to museum collections. This exhibition will unveil stories of select New Yorkers. Exhibit is on going until October 2nd 2022. Museum hours: Tuesday-Sun, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; 222 Madison Ave., Albany. Free admission; suggested donation of \$5/person or \$10/family. 518-474-5877 or www.nysm.nysed.gov

#### Art Associates Gallery

21 Railroad Avenue, Albany 12205. 518-459-1307

##### "The Fourth Anniversary Show"

To celebrate four years on Railroad Avenue, artists throughout the Capital Region are presenting works in a wide variety of subjects, techniques and mediums. On 12/2 extended hours to 8pm for a Meet-the-Artists-Event in conjunction with Albany First Friday. Regular gallery hours MTWF 12-6, Thurs 12-8, Sat 10-3 or by appointment. Closed Sundays. Exhibit dates: 12/2 through 12/31.

#### 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**

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### CLUES ACROSS

1. A people of Eastern Afghanistan
5. Supervises interstate commerce
8. Touch lightly
11. Relating to bees
13. Mauna \_\_, Hawaiian volcano
14. Mosuo culture religion
15. Italian village
16. Stiff bristle
17. Wealthy enclave in Rio
18. Cause to lose courage
20. Examines animals
21. Ethnic group of Laos and Thailand
22. Gets rid of
25. Having easily perceived thoughts
30. Removed surgically
31. Principle underlying the universe
32. Popular airline
33. Antelopes
38. Peacock network
41. Utter repeatedly
43. One from the Golden State
45. Photographers
48. Father
49. Popular BBQ dish
50. Cavalry sword
55. Ancient Greek sophist
56. Atomic mass unit
57. Afflicted in mind or body
59. Indian mythological figure
60. Mild expression of surprise
61. Jewish spiritual leader
62. Brew
63. Doctor of Education
64. Impudence

3. Latvian capital
4. Irish goddess
5. Taste
6. Dried
7. Spanish saloon
8. Mother of Perseus
9. Evergreen coniferous trees
10. Refuse to comply
12. Negative
14. Hyphen
19. A way to record
23. Not good
24. One who tends the furnace
25. Small amount
26. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
27. The whole quantity
28. \_\_ King Cole, musician
29. One's opinion
34. Holds ashes
35. Stablecoin cryptocurrency
36. Side-blotched lizards genus
37. Legislator (abbr.)
39. Concentrated bombardment
40. Took for oneself
41. Nigerian City
42. Thousands of pounds
44. Inspired
45. Secret clique
46. Expression
47. Dough made from corn flour
48. Comedian Carvey
51. Swiss river
52. Prejudice
53. Actor Idris
54. Resistance fighters
58. Criticize

### CLUES DOWN

1. State attorneys
2. Imitated

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**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**

**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**

**The Nutcracker – Albany Berkshire Ballet**

Albany Berkshire Ballet presents its 48th annual tour of The Nutcracker. A beloved holiday tradition, The Nutcracker tells the story of a young girl, Clara, and the magical dream she has one Christmas Eve. Set to Tchaikovsky's timeless music, the story of The Nutcracker follows the adventures of Clara and her Nutcracker Prince as they conquer the Mouse King and embark on a magical journey to the Land of Sweets. Choreographed by Madeline Cantarella Culpo, featuring sets by Carl Sprague and costumes by Rita Watson and Victile Donahue, The Nutcracker is sure to delight all ages. You can catch this show December 10th at 1:30 p.m. only at the Egg, PO Box 2065, Albany.

**Hairspray**

You Can't Stop the Beat! HAIRSPRAY, Broadway's Tony Award-winning musical comedy phenomenon is back on tour! Join 16-year-old Tracy Turnblad in 1960's Baltimore as she sets out to dance her way onto TV's most popular show. Can a girl with big dreams (and even bigger hair) change the world? Featuring the beloved score of hit songs including "Welcome to the 60's," "Good Morning Baltimore" and "You Can't Stop the Beat," HAIRSPRAY is "fresh, winning, and deliriously tuneful!" (The New York Times). This all-new touring production reunites Broadway's award-winning creative team led by Director Jack O'Brien and Choreographer Jerry Mitchell to bring HAIRSPRAY to a new generation of theater audiences. You can see this show December 7th at 7 p.m. through Sunday. Join us only at Proctors, 432 State Street, Schenectady.

**Twas the Land of the Night Before**

Make this family musical part of your holiday tradition as 'Twas the Land of the Night Before returns to Proctors! 'Twas the Land of the Night Before is a heartwarming musical family comedy about an enchanting village where everyone enthusiastically prepares for the holiday morning → ALL the time. Exchanging presents but never opening them, decorating and un-decorating the tree, it's all part of their simple and content daily life. Until one day, when a likeable bumbling soul wanders into the town and promises everyone he can show them all about the holiday. Join us as Yule, along with his faithful sidekick Satchel, meet the various townsfolk including the Mayor, Toymaker, Ribbon Meister, a generous family, and Aristotle and Einstein, the town simpletons. Everyone loves Yule (even when he keeps doing things all wrong) and is excited about the promises he brings, except for the Teacher, who wants things to stay just the way they are → she just doesn't trust Yule, and what he is trying to do. You can see this show December 9th at 7:30 p.m. through Sunday. Join us only at Proctors, 432 State Street, Schenectady.

**COMEDY**

**Ross Bennett**

Ross Bennett left the United States Military Academy after deciding that he preferred to take aim and fire jokes instead of bullets. Since that day Ross' comedy career has taken him from New York to Los Angeles and all points in between. Ross has developed a brand all his own described as "Comedy For The Rest Of Us" which resonates with everyday working class Americans who prefer clean humor

that is both clever and politics-free. Ross discusses a wide variety of topics drawn from a life full of experiences ranging from his growing up with a father who was a Marine Colonel, to grade school snow days, to middle age medical procedures. Ross has been seen on over a dozen television shows including Comedy Central's "Tough Crowd With Colin Quinn", A & E's "Evening At The Improv", and "The Late Show with David Letterman". In 2019 Dry Bar Comedy released Ross' full length special "Comedy... For The Rest Of Us" which has been viewed millions of times. Catch this show December 9th at 8 p.m. only at The Comedy Works, 388 Broadway, Saratoga Springs.

**Michael Palascak**

Michael Palascak is a comedian who grew up in Indiana and now lives in LA. He performed on both The Late Late Show with James Corden and The Late Show with Stephen Colbert in the same year. He has over 1 million views on YouTube. In addition, his resume includes A Little Late with Lilly Singh, The Tonight Show, Letterman, Craig Ferguson, Conan, has a Comedy Central Half Hour special, and was a Top 5 Finalist on Last Comic Standing where one judge claimed, "My first impression of Michael was a great likability. This is a guy that could star in a sitcom." Michael's likability allows him to relate to his audiences in a real way which sets up the huge laughs he gets from his sharp, personal material. Consistently writing and performing, this summer Michael released both a new album— The Internet Live through 800 Pound Gorilla and a new stand-up special on the Dry Bar app— 1984. Available for free streaming. Drew Hunt of The Chicago Reader wrote about Michael, "In a lot of ways, he represents the ideal antidote to

the sort of unbridled cynicism that pervades much of contemporary stand-up." Michael's opti-mism continues in the new National Lampoon series — The Bright Side where he takes a positive stance on a negative topic streaming on YouTube. You can catch this show December 9th at 8 p.m. only at The Funny Bone, 1 Crossgates Mall Rd #K-206, Albany.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Jerusalem Reformed Church**

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

**Troy Farmers Market**

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

**Schenectady GreenMarket**

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

**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

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Tech Valley Center of Gravity, 30 3rd St., Troy. 518-279-7863 or www.tvcog.net.

## MUSIC

### Keith Pray Quartet

Saxophonist and composer Keith Pray is a native of upstate New York who returned to the Capital Region in 2006 after a lengthy tenure in New York City. He performs regularly with the Keith Pray Quartet, the Soul Jazz Revival and the Big Soul Ensemble and freelances in many other groups in the area. Pray taught saxophone at SUNY Oneonta, arranging and jazz history at Schenectady County Community College and is currently the director of Proctor's Theater Summer Jazz Institute and teaches instrumental music in the Schenectady City School District. He has shared the stage with hundreds of gifted musicians including: Paul Anka, Benny Golson, The Temptations, Ray Vega, David "Fathead" Newman, Lew Soloff, Mark Vinci, Ralph Lalama and Jerry Weldon. Pray's unique style and talent has allowed him to perform and record across the spectrum of today's music including performances on ABC's Good Morning America and The View, Food Network's Food Nation, The Newport Jazz Festival, Albany's Riverfront Jazz Festival, The Kingston Jazz Festival, 103.1 Smooth Jazz Festival, Albany's Tulip Festival, Lark Festival, Fleet Blues Festival and Schenectady's A Place for Jazz. Catch the show December 10th at 8 p.m. only at 9 Maple Ave # 1, Saratoga Springs.

### Tom Prettys / County Hell

Started as a side project for a group of rock-loving ladies to bond on Monday nights, the Tom Prettys has become a favorite band in the Hudson Valley and upstate New York. Each show is rocked to the fullest, always keeping the love of

Tom Petty's iconic music at the forefront. From the dozens of top-charting hits, each song is replicated with respect and attention to detail while keeping the classic rock n' roll vibe alive—for old and new fans alike. Catch this show December 8th at 8 p.m. only at The Avalon Lounge, 29 Church St. Catskill.

### Mini-Mekons

The genre-defying Mekons formed in Leeds, England in 1977, born from the emerging British punk scene. They progressed from socialist art students with no musical skills to the prolific, raucous progeny of Hank Williams. Theirs is an improbable history – a surprising and influential embrace of folk and country music; with occasional forays into the art world. Throughout their history, they have worked collaboratively and collectively with everything credited to the band, never to individuals. Their mind-boggling output consistently blurs the lines between high art and low and has included exhibitions in the UK and US, a deranged musical recorded and staged with Kathy Acker, an art performance with Vito Acconci, and several books including the unique art catalog/unfinished novel Mekons United. The mekons continue to make bold, unpredictable music while staying true to the punk ethos. Their mind-boggling output consistently blurs the lines between high art and low and they remain one of the truly great live bands. Catch this show December 9th at 8 p.m. only at The Avalon Lounge, 29 Church St. Catskill.

### Hotel Neon / Taylor Deupree / BlankFor.ms / Chet Doxas / Micah Frank

Brooklyn-based label Puremagnetik brings its musical artists and collaborators to Avalon on 12/10 for an evening

of tape-infused lofi, lowercase sound design and glacial ambient soundscapes. Join us for 4 sets that include the helmsman of 12k records Taylor Deupree, the tape music master BlankFor.ms, ambient guitar trio Hotel Neon and Micah Frank & Chet Doxas perform the music of medieval mystic Hildegard von Bingen. If the title of Ambient Musician Laureate existed in the United States, Taylor Deupree would be a shoo-in. He's not an indie-crossover success story like Grouper or William Basinski, nor does his work tend to challenge preconceptions of what ambient music can be, but he's one of the genre's most consummate professionals. As founder and head of the 12k label and engineering studio in New York, he's the guy that people who master ambient albums hit up to master their own records. Hotel Neon is the Philadelphia-based trio of Michael Tasselmyer, Andrew Tasselmyer, and Steven Kemner. Together they create music to get lost in: cavernous, reverberating guitars and synthesizers, matched with visual projections in an immersive audio/visual experience. Catch this show December 10th at 8 p.m. only at The Avalon Lounge, 29 Church St. Catskill.

### Lost Radio Rounders Holiday Sampler

You'll be rockin' around the Christmas tree with this Holiday Sampler from Lost Radio Rounders. The combo has been frequently seen on the Caffe stage, returning us to our deepest roots not only with great old songs, but with the fascinating stories behind them. This holiday season they'll don Santa hats and invite you to step back in time and sing along with a program guaranteed to set your bells a-jingling! The Eddie Award-nominated acoustic trio of Tom Lindsay, Michael

Eck and Paul Jossman are the region's premiere purveyors of Historic American Music, regularly playing over a dozen themed shows—ranging from "Politics and Patriots" to "Cowboy Songs and Frontier Ballads"—at Caffe Lena, the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, the Howland Cultural Center, along with other hailed venues. With a delightful blend of voices, guitar, mandolin, banjo and other instruments, Lost Radio Rounders continue the grand American string band tradition. You can catch this show December 8th at 7 p.m. only at only at Caffe Lena, 47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs.

### Veena and Devesh Chandra

As a young girl in India, Veena Chandra was inspired to play music by her father, who named her after an ancient Indian stringed instrument in the hopes she would take a liking to music. Since then, Chandra has garnered international recognition in the Hindustani Classical music genre as a renowned sitarist, composer, and teacher. She is founder and director of Dance and Music School of India in Latham, NY as well as a Sitar Professor at the Skidmore College Music Department and an Artist Associate in Sitar at Williams College MA. Chandra also followed in her father's footsteps and passed down the music tradition to her son, Devesh Chandra, who joins her in performances playing the Indian hand drum known as the tabla. Devesh Chandra's approach to the tabla is the confluence of all the unique influences of his upbringing. Devesh believes the tabla has the rare ability, to very accurately convey a wide range of emotions. His innovative and imaginative approach makes his performances enthralling to both Western listeners and Indian classical purists. You can catch this show De-

# HOROSCOPES

## December 2022 Week 1

### ARIES – MAR 21/APR 20

Someone thinks you are up to a challenge this week, Aries. Dive right in and prove them correct. There's much you'll get done, but leave some time for leisure.

### TAURUS – APR 21/MAY 21

There's not much you can't accomplish these next several days, Taurus. The key will be knowing just where to pull back so that you can do each job well.

### GEMINI – MAY 22/JUN 21

Think before committing to a project that is expected to take a long time, Gemini. While you may have a lot of free time right now, that may not be the case in a few weeks.

### CANCER – JUN 22/JUL 22

Cancer, health concerns may come to the forefront this week, whether it pertains you or someone close to you. Empty your schedule so you can devote the utmost attention.

### LEO – JUL 23/AUG 23

Leo, despite many looming deadlines, you are surprisingly relaxed about all the things you need to accomplish. Maybe that is because you have a lot of help.

### VIRGO – AUG 24/SEPT 22

Some unexpected time off has dropped into your lap, Virgo. Figure out if a small vacation or weekend getaway might be just what you need right now. Then make it happen.

### LIBRA – SEPT 23/OCT 23

A career change could be on the horizon, Libra. Do your research before you take the full plunge into new waters. Maybe test things out before making a firm commitment.

### SCORPIO – OCT 24/NOV 22

Home improvements could be coming soon, Scorpio. They'll interfere with your daily schedule for a bit, but the results will be well worth any disruption.

### SAGITTARIUS – NOV 23/DEC 21

Your hospitable nature is a perfect match for the entertaining you will be doing this week, Sagittarius. Expect a houseful of people on one or more days.

### CAPRICORN – DEC 22/JAN 20

Spending certainly is up during the holiday season, but you may need to keep a closer eye on what is going on with your finances, Capricorn. Don't lose sight of your budget.

### AQUARIUS – JAN 21/FEB 18

A few interesting possibilities may come across your desk, Aquarius. Look at them with a critical eye and get a second opinion before moving forward.

### PISCES – FEB 19/MAR 20

Too many things seem like a priority right now, Pisces. You need to weed through all of your responsibilities and tackle the most urgent.

ember 9th at 8 p.m. only at only at Caffe Lena, 47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs.

### Peter Davis Solo

Of the scores of musicians billed as “versatile,” Peter Davis may be most deserving of the accolade. Accomplished on an astonishing variety of instruments, including clarinet, alto sax, 5-string & tenor banjos, piano, tenor and 6-string guitar, whistle and hulu-si. Peter boasts an intuitive approach to all manner of traditional folk, blues, vintage pop and jazz forms. He has performed nationally, and internationally, with Jay Ungar and Molly Mason, The Prairie Home Companion House Band, Papa John Phillips, Annie and the Hedonists, the Whippersnappers, the Clayfoot Strutters and others. For 12 years, Peter was the Program Director of The Flurry Festival of Traditional Music and Dancing. He is known to Capital District audiences as a member of the WAMC Dancing on the Air Orchestra, and Reggie’s Red Hot Feetwarmers, the house band at Saratoga Race Course each summer. With Peter, Paul and George he has done elementary school residencies in over 500 schools, spreading the joy of traditional music and dancing. Since 1989, Peter has been on staff at Ashokan Western and Swing Week, where he teaches chord theory, improvisation, and leads dynamic group singing sessions. At this special Caffe Lena show, Peter is stepping out of his side man role to perform solo. Peter has played many styles of music professionally—bluegrass, old time fiddle music, swing, New Orleans jazz, pop and rock and roll—so expect anything, but be ready to sing along and have fun! You can catch this show December 10th at 8 p.m. only at only at Caffe Lena, 47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs.

### Planet Light

For many years, world music ensemble Heard has presented an annual concert celebrating the multifaceted spirit of this festive season. This dynamic show features an eclectic offering of seasonal arrangements, along with original material that draws on inspiration from the gifts of nature and the return of light. With Jonathan Greene (woodwinds), Bobby Kendall (bass), Brian Melick (drums), Zorkie Nelson (drums) Felix Nelson (drums, dance, vocals) Mitsuko Suzuki (violin) and Elizabeth Woodbury Kasius (piano). Also featuring guest vocalists Kelly Bird, Shiri Zorn & Shari Seidman Parslow. You can catch this show December 11th at 7 p.m. only at only at Caffe Lena, 47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs.

### Eric Kufs

A Los Angeles singer/songwriter currently living in upstate New York, Eric Kufs is one part crooner, one part protest singer and every part artist. Eric’s time performing in Southern California began years ago in local clubs and venues. With the lyrical bite of an Elvis Costello, the dynamic voice of a Van Morrison, and the passion of a Bruce Springsteen, his prowess eventually led to performances around the world. As the main songwriter for indie folk band Common Rotation, Kufs has released six full-length albums and recorded with the likes of They Might Be Giants and Indigo Girls as well as his own songwriting hero and mentor, renowned singer/songwriter Dan Bern. Catch this show on December 9th at 2 p.m. only at Carson’s Woodside Tavern, 57 Route 9P, Malta.

### Classic Rock Productions: Jim Morrison

Experience an amazing Classic Rock Journey to the “60s & 70s” when the sights, sounds, and persona of Jim Morrison are recreated before your eyes in this live concert adaptation of one of Clas-



## HOT DATE

### NUTCRACKER!

Catch this holiday tradition as the Albany Berkshire Ballet performs *The Nutcracker to the time music of Pyotr Tchaikovsky for the first of three performances this weekend on Saturday, Dec. 10, at 1:30 p.m. Visit [theegg.org](http://theegg.org) for additional times.*

### Start Making Sense

If David Byrne is one of the geniuses of modern times, then Start Making Sense is a tribute to genius. The musicians in this 7-10 piece Talking Heads Tribute take pride in faithfully recreating the music of Talking Heads entire career. Together they bring much of the Heads unique live show to the stage, with front man Jon Braun as a spot-on David Byrne, giving you a “once in a lifetime” experience. Prepare yourself for a rockin’, funk’n’, danceable celebration of the new-wave art punk you loved from the 80’s!!! Catch This Show On December 10th At 8 p.m. Only At The Cohoes Music Hall, 58 Remsen Street, Cohoes.

### Pokey LaFarge

an American renaissance man — an acclaimed musician, writer, actor, and designer who fuses the rustic sounds of the past with his wry humor and eclectic music sensibilities. An artful ambassador for old-time music, presenting and representing the glories of hot swing, early jazz, and ragtime blues, his solo concert at The Egg last year was a big hit — and this time Pokey returns to our stage accompanied by his band. You can catch this show December 9th at 8 p.m. only at The Egg, PO Box 2065, Albany.

### Pigeons Playing Ping Pong

Change grants clarity. As our circumstances shift, we recognize and realize what truly matters and appreciate it a little bit more. Pigeons Playing Ping Pong translates the joy of such realizations into the buoyant psychedelic funk odyssey of their sixth independent full-length album, the aptly titled *Perspective*. The Maryland quartet—Greg Ormont [vocals, guitar], Jeremy Schon [guitar, vocals], Ben [bass, vocals], and Alex “Gator” Petropoulos [drums, vocals]—delivers a musically thrilling and emotionally endearing body of work propelled by sonic fireworks and chantable hooks. After piling up millions of streams and selling out countless shows, the musicians project their vision wide-screen across the most expansive vista yet. Working safely out of Wright Way Studios in their hometown of Baltimore, the band brought *Perspective* to life. Teeming with vibrancy, the first single “Elephante” struts along on a thick bass line wrapped in swaggering riffs punctuated by the boisterous and bold horn section of energetic funk band Here Come The Mummies. It all culminates on a sky-splitting solo by lead guitarist Jeremy Schon. Catch the show December 9th at 8 p.m. only at Empire Live, 93 North Pearl Street, Albany.

### Dead Man’s Waltz Holiday Celebration

Interweaving the classic songs and jams of The Grateful Dead, The Allman Brothers Band and The Band, Dead Man’s Waltz (formerly Steal Your Peach) is an all-star collective from the Northeast festival scene. Dead Man’s Waltz features top-notch musicianship and offers a refreshing twist to the music of three legendary and iconic bands. While staying true to the spirit of the music, the band members put their own dynamic spin on a vast catalog of beloved songs that are now part the new American song book. At its core, DMW is a celebration of the long standing tradition of crossover between The Dead, The Allmans and The Band, culminating with the legendary 1973 Summer Jam Music Festival in Watkins’ Glenn, NY where the three bands performed together. DMW’s arrangements are experiments, as they easily flow from the familiar to the obscure, moving from standards like “Jessica” into Going Down The Road Felling

Bad” into “Don’t Do It” or “Up On Cripple Creek” into “They Love Each Other” into “Midnight Rider”. The band always keeps it fresh with new and unexpected arrangements and improvisations, while engaging fans in the free-spirited party and colorful, close-knit community surrounding their shows. Catch this show December 9th at 9 p.m. only at Lark Hall

351 Hudson Avenue, Albany.

### Phish vs. Dead feat. The Lizards & Marcus Rezak’s Shred is Dead

Known as a master of jazz improvisation and a seasoned artist of the sit-in, Rezak is a frequent call among bands and musicians. Rezak’s 2018 debut as

a bandleader saw him collaborating alongside Kris Myers and Joel Cummins of Umphrey’s McGee, Arthur Barrow of Frank Zappa’s band, and legendary saxophonist Bill Evans. Since then he has toured across the US with eclectic lineups featuring the likes of Ike Willis, Kris Myers, Jay Lane, Scott Page, and more; led his band through two tours on

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the US Virgin Islands; spearheaded official Umphrey's McGee afterparties, and continued to hone his chops in his home studio and licensing endeavors. The Lizards made their debut in November of 2013, playing sold out shows and festivals to hundreds of fans. The band's main goal is to recreate the Phish Experience. Whether it's their ever changing setlists, synchronized dancing (or trampolining) or touring with their own lighting rig and director (TG5), the band is committed to giving people that same feeling as the one we've all felt many times before. Catch this show December 10th at 8 p.m. only at Lark Hall 351 Hudson Avenue, Albany.

**Moondance**

Rock and roll doesn't get any better than Van Morrison. Van the Man has done it all — from classic rockers like Brown Eyed Girl and Domino to legendary tunes like Tupelo Honey and Into The Mystic, the Rock and Roll Hall of Famer has never failed to impress music lovers around the globe. Moondance is the ultimate Van Morrison Tribute Concert. This incredible show captures the Van Morrison concert experience like no other. You'll hear classic tunes — Brown Eyed Girl, Moondance, Domino, It Stoned Me, Tupelo Honey, Wild Night, Into The Mystic, Caravan — just to name a few. The show is packed with one VM classic after the next. You can catch this show December 9th at 8 p.m. only at The Linda WAMC's Performing Arts Studio, 339 Central Avenue, Albany.

**Weakened Friends / Pencildive / Ladybyrd**

Weakened Friends is an American indie rock band formed in Portland, Maine, signed to Big Scary Monsters and best known for their 2018 song "Blue Again", from their debut full-length album Common Blah. The band consists of So-

nia Sturino, Annie Hoffman, and Adam Hand. Pencildive is a rock band based in Brooklyn New York and led by songwriter Gina De Nardo. The sound is both tender and explosive with punchy drums (Zach Hirsch) and gritty guitar interwoven with brooding melodies and live noise experiments. It has been described as indie gloom, punk, and alternative. You can catch this show December 9th at 8 p.m. only at No Fun, 275 River Street, Troy.

**Code Blue!**

It features a power guitar front with the dual leads of Jeff Ira and Lou Papandrea, backed by Kevin Kot (Drums), Greg Ira (Rhythm), Scott Libertucci (Bass), and Rob Stubbs (Keyboard). Taking advantage of their range in ages, Code Blue features rock songs that span the decades from the 60's to the present (and possibly one or two from the 50's). Take all your favorites songs (popular and obscure), put them on your playlist, and set it to shuffle. That is what you can expect when you go see Code Blue Catch this show December 9th at 8 p.m. only at Pauly's Hotel, 337 Central Ave., Albany.

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lespecial carve their own sonic path in modern music, creating their signature blend of "heavy future groove." The power trio's fresh synthesis of varied and divergent influences doesn't underesti-



**HOT DATE**

**HAIRSPRAY!**

*Broadway's Tony Award-winning musical comes back on the road after what will be the last performance in its run at Proctors on Sunday, Dec. 11.*

mate the listener, reflecting a post-modern cultural climate in which fans have space on their aural palette for J Dilla, Radiohead, King Crimson and Tool. Veering from hip-hop to metal, prog to house, pensive indie-rock to apocalyptic dub, leaving room for head banging and

hip swaying alike, while still presenting a unified sound and vision. Music brings us to our feet literally, figuratively, and spiritually. It inspires us to rise up to our day's trials and tribulations, and on a larger scale, the world's challenges. Through an unspoken sonic communion between three distinct musical identities, SunSquabi—Kevin Donohue [guitar, keys, production], Josh Fairman [bass, synth], and Chris Anderson [drums]—rouse us from inactivity and into action when we need the extra push through their signature live electronica sound. After racking up tens of millions of streams and delivering rapturous performances at legendary venues such as Red Rocks Amphitheatre, they incite personal revolution louder than ever on their third full length album, Arise, releasing on October 26, 2022. SunSquabi has ignited the energy of listeners everywhere since 2015. They've unveiled a string of fan favorite releases such as Odyssey [2016], Deluxe EP [2017], and Instinct [2019]. In addition to praise from 303 Magazine, JamBase, Live For Live Music, and many more, WestWord proclaimed, "The record has electrifying moments," and ThisSongsSick raved, "SunSquabi never fails to bring the funk. Throughout the project they showcase their instrumentation highlighting shredding guitar riffs, funky basslines and crisp percussion with just the right touch of electronic production elements." Along the way, they've sold out venues coast-to-coast, capturing one of three Red Rocks gigs so far on SunSquabi (Live at Red Rocks). The guys have collaborated with String Cheese Incident, Late Night Radio, Lettuce, and GRIZ, to name a few. During 2019, the musicians began kicking around initial ideas for Arise during marathon jam sessions. Catch this show December 8th at 8:30 p.m. only at Putnam Place, 63a Putnam Street, Saratoga Springs.

**Deer Tick w/ Izzy Heltai**

he best art often challenges widely held preconceptions about performance and beauty. We're moved when we find the sublime in the gross, entranced when crassness collides with grace. It makes poetic sense that one of this practice's finest current purveyors is named after a blood-sucking survivor. It's been six years since Deer Tick's last release Negativity, and devotees have grown restless. It wasn't that the band—made up of McCauley, guitarist Ian O'Neil, drummer Dennis Ryan, and bassist Christopher Ryan—was withholding information. They just weren't sure they had anything more to share. "It wasn't anything that we actually talked about," McCauley says. "We never said, 'Hey, we should take a break,' or 'Maybe this isn't working anymore.' We just took some time off. We'd just done our 10-year anniversary shows, and I had a kid like two weeks later." He pauses before adding with a hint of a laugh, "We just kind of got comfortable away from each other." Izzy Heltai lives with his mom. A lover of "meaningless" flash tattoos because of their limitless nature, Izzy is covered in skulls, snakes, animal heads, and femme silhouettes. He dresses like a sixteen-year old boy. He eats more fruit than the average person and makes really good music. You'll like it a lot. Izzy Heltai's roots grow from the tireless grind of DIY shows. His early, self-booked tours were both extensive and eccentric — the venues including VFW dive bars, coffee shops, and once as the intermission between two sets of a Grateful Dead cover band. It was in this unpredictability that Izzy Heltai found his expansive and prolific voice as an artist — the relentless hustle became an abundant source of inspiration for his curious and observational style of songwriting. Catch this show December 10th at 8 p.m.

only at Putnam Place, 63a Putnam Street, Saratoga Springs.

**Soweto Gospel Choir**

Hailing from Soweto (South West Township), a town outside of Johannesburg and home of Nelson Mandela and South Africa's democratic movement, SOWETO GOSPEL CHOIR continues to inspire audiences around the world with their powerful blend of African gospel, freedom songs and international classics. Comprising a line-up of some of South Africa's best vocalists, these uplifting performers have shared the stage and collaborated with the biggest names in contemporary music including Aretha Franklin, Stevie Wonder, Beyonce, U2, Diana Ross, Peter Gabriel, Chris Martin, John Legend, Pharell Williams, Jimmy Cliff, Ben Harper, Angelle Kidjo, Robert Plant, Celine Dion, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Hugh Masekela and Josh Groban. SOWETO GOSPEL CHOIR was formed in 2003 at the end of the apartheid era and during South Africa's inspiring return to Democracy. Taking part in some of the major historical events in the new democratic South Africa, Soweto Gospel Choir are proud to have performed on many occasions for the Father of their Nation, former President Nelson Mandela's and sadly at his State Funeral in South Africa and at the subsequent commemorative service at Westminster Abbey in London. They were similarly invited to perform at the funeral service for the late President's first wife, Winnie Mandela. The Choir's patron is human rights activist and Nobel Peace Prize winner, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, and they are proud to act as Ambassadors for the Nelson Mandela Foundation. You can see this show December 7th at 7:30 p.m. only at The Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 Second Street, Troy.

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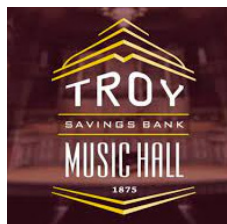
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This recipe for “Jalapeño Pork Stew With Pickled Onions” from “Real Simple Dinner Tonight: Done!” (Time Home Entertainment) by the editors of Real Simple is tailor-made for a cold day. This hearty dish will warm anyone up, both from the heat of the stew itself and the spicy kick of the jalapeños.

### Jalapeño Pork Stew With Pickled Onions

#### INGREDIENTS Serves 8

- 4 tablespoons olive oil
- 5 pounds boneless pork shoulder or butt, trimmed and cut into 2-inch pieces
- 2 tablespoons ground cumin
- Kosher salt and black pepper
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 cup fresh orange juice
- 1 14.5-ounce can diced tomatoes, drained
- 12 cloves garlic
- 1 to 2 jalapeño peppers, seeded and sliced

- 1 large red onion, thinly sliced
- 1/4 cup red wine vinegar
- 1 1-pound package frozen cut okra
- 1 1/2 cups grits

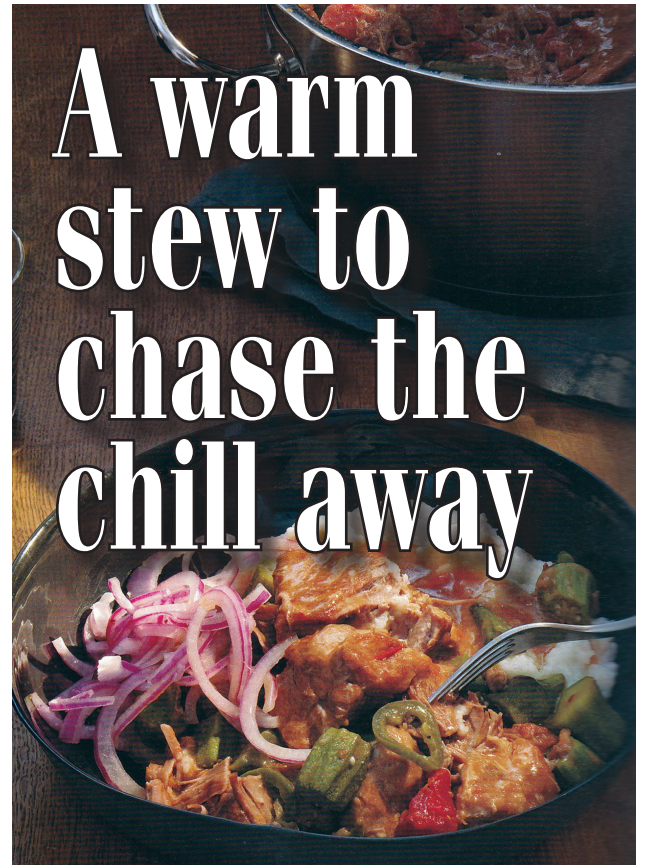
#### INSTRUCTIONS

Heat oven to 325 F. Heat 2 tablespoons of the oil in a large ovenproof pot or Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Season the pork with the cumin, 1 1/2 teaspoons salt and 1/2 teaspoon black pepper. In batches, cook the pork until browned, turning occasionally, 6 to 8 minutes; transfer to a plate.

Add the flour and the remaining 2 tablespoons of oil to the pot and cook, stirring for 1 minute. Add the orange juice, tomatoes, garlic, jalapeños, and 4 cups water and bring to a boil. Return the pork to the pot, cover, transfer to oven, and cook until the pork is tender, 2 1/2 to 3 hours.

Meanwhile, in a small bowl, toss the onion with the vinegar, 1/2 cup water, and 1/2 teaspoon salt. Let sit, tossing occasionally, for at least 30 minutes (and up to 4 hours).

Skim off and discard any fat from the stew. Add the okra. Cover the pot, return it to the oven, and cook until the okra is tender, about 15 minutes. If the stew is too thin, place the pot on the stove and simmer, uncovered, until thickened, 5 to 10 minutes more.



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According to a 2021 survey by the consumer market research firm Hunter, 71 percent of people in the United States plan to continue cooking more at home after the pandemic ends. Increased creativity and confidence in the kitchen, as well as the fact that cooking at home helps to save money and enables one to heat healthier, is driving the ongoing

**Increasing the amount of vegetables in one's diet is a simple and healthy modification.**

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When cooking at home, cooks can consider various tips to make meals that much healthier.

- **Increase fiber intake.** Fiber improves bowel regularity and helps a person feel full between meals. High fiber foods also help stabilize blood sugar levels. Two servings of fibrous foods at each meal and an additional fiber-rich snack each day can ensure your body is getting the fiber it needs.

- **Slow down eating.** The pace at which a person eats a meal can affect his or her overall health. Healthline reports that fast eaters are more likely to eat more and have higher body mass indexes than slow eaters.

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Protein along with fiber helps a person feel fuller longer, which can manage appetite and reduce overeating. Greek yogurt also can replace mayonnaise or sour cream in certain recipes.

- **Add a vegetable to every meal.** Vegetables are loaded with essential vitamins and minerals. Plus, they tend to be high in antioxidants that strengthen the immune system. Increase vegetable intake by eating vegetables with every meal.




- **Choose healthy fats.** While a person should minimize the amount of oils and other fats used during the cooking process, when it's necessary for a recipe, select the best fat possible. Olive oil is a monounsaturated fat that is packed with antioxidant polyphenols. It is considered a heart-healthy oil, and it may promote a healthy brain and memory function.

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## ■ ALBUM REVIEW

### Album Review: Buggy Jive's 'The Ghost Of Alexander'

By **LUCAS GARRETT**  
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Some people seem to have no problem with constantly creating fantastic pieces of music. This is certainly the case for Buggy Jive, and his latest release, "The Ghost of Alexander," which came out earlier this month.

The record is an amalgamation of soul, blues, funk, folk(?!), and more. With a sound that is as intriguing as it is unique, Buggy has crafted yet another collection of songs rife with prose – the

lyrical concepts are, as always, stellar – groove, and heart.

Opening the album is "A Dream I Was to Remember and Dream Again." It features an incredible funky, syncopated rhythm between drums, synth, and bass. The processing on the vocals for this track, which is mainly the same groove over and over again, really works to build intrigue. And, although it's a good primer for the record, Buggy is just getting started.

"Encyclopedia Black and the Case of You," track two, incorporates a drum and bass groove track that remind me of nostalgic music from some of my favorite video games from the 1990's. Inserting random samples throughout the track,

such as when he sings about "dropping a needle," and then we hear a record scratch, makes the track very immersive and enjoyable. While the guitar is incredibly sparse on this track – consisting mainly of a part that has randomly placed harmonics – every bit of instrumentation is added in just the right way. Buggy Jive has a great sense of harmony, in terms of instrumental and vocal, and really showcases that ability in this song. During the latter half of the tune, we hear a heavily processed guitar solo that floats in and under the vocal part. At times, it's hard to tell whether this is a synth made to sound like a guitar, or vice versa!

One thing that's simply unmistakable is Buggy's talent in

blending instrumentation. Take for instance, "Law of Averages," track three. The raucous guitars, bass, and drums, combine perfectly in this intro, and are even amplified further when the vocals enter. This piece's lyrical content, as well as the complex time signature, makes for a compelling listen. Throughout the song, we hear the narrator proclaim how he "ain't your average American," yet at the very end of the tune, he states, before being cut off, that he's average in a way that brilliantly outlines some of his social commentary.

Taking things in a much slower direction, the slow-paced swing tune, "She Wants to Party While the World Burns," track five, has great elements of

Americana, blended with classic Gospel sounds. The latter is especially true when evaluating the backup vocals. One of the things I particularly enjoy on this track is the guitar tone achieved by Buggy Jive: it's deliciously creamy with tons of snarl. When considering his discography – in the view of this listener – upon an initial listen of The Ghost of Alexander, Buggy's ability to coax certain tones from his instrument, has vastly improved, and is in a whole new level of production goodness!

"Let the Words Reveal Themselves," track five, features a wonderfully ear-grabbing groove that outlines a set of lyrics that are perhaps autobiographical.

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## From page B19 ... Buggy Jive

Definitely tongue-in-cheek, I'd argue they are relatable to most songwriters. Phrases such as "this song can go to hell," is a sentiment many – myself included – have felt from time to time. The chords formed by the vocal harmonies, in conjunction with the instrumentation, are extremely lush. It's quite extraordinary how Buggy uses all of the notes across vocals and instruments to form an overall chord. The guitar solo that occurs during this track's latter half is quite enjoyable, and well-placed.

The following track is "Lizard Brains and Tingly Parts." A

song whose title is introduced immediately in the a cappella intro, takes absolutely no time to establish a groove. All of these songs in the collection are fantastic, but this is by far my favorite. The robotic, spoken-word section that introduces the song's bridge is unexpected, yet somehow feels familiar. I must admit, I didn't expect to hear Stravinsky referenced on this record, but here we are! It's instances like that which make Buggy Jive's music so hard to pin down for influences, all that is abundantly clear is his talent in creating groove after groove. During the outro, the freneticism of the track is nullified, and the song becomes quite peaceful sounding, leading appropriately into the next song.

"Vivienne," a chill piece that has a waltz-feel, is mainly accompanied by clean guitar parts, as well as defined harmonies. This is just another example showcasing how well-read Buggy is, which undoubtedly helps inform his unique and captivating prose within his lyrics.

Nearing the end of the record, we get to its title track, "The Ghost of Alexander." For the intro, we hear a dreamy synth that serves as a bedrock for the guitar and bass. Much of this bass part sounds like the instrument is being strummed, rather than plucked. The synth seems to ebb and flow depending on whether or not we are listening to a musical interlude. For the most part, the groove remains constant. Though there are some staccato

parts, the legato nature of the chorus really helps the song to flow along. Having string parts bring the song to its conclusion is a nice arrangement choice.

The closing track, "Make Me Water," is rife with a nice, chugging rhythm. Buggy really explores great, overdriven and bluesy sonic textures here. Blending Gospel elements with other characteristics of the Blues reminds this listener of terrific soul records from the 1970's. Serving as the longest track on *The Ghost of Alexander*, "Make Me Water," is a journey through amalgamations of genres. During the middle section, Buggy introduces a rap section that carries its way through for a long time, before returning to the song's refrain. The song is all

about Buggy Jive's appreciation for his hometown of Schenectady, and he executes it really well. Ending the song, and thus the record with a long outro of water whooshing to and fro, we come to the conclusion of yet another fantastic record from Buggy Jive!

Some artists just have a way about them. Buggy Jive, fits that characteristic to a T. It's unclear how the artist manages to produce record after record with songs that never drift toward sounding like "filler," but somehow, he does! Fans of Blues, Soul, Rock, and so much more will definitely be able to sink their teeth into this album.

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## CONCERT REVIEWS

### Lucas Garrett at Caffe Lena

By MIKE STAMPALIA  
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**SARATOGA SPRINGS** – Lucas Garrett and his band took the stage at the famed Caffe Lena, the official release celebration for his most recent album, “Reaching through Dreams” on Thursday, Dec. 1. For the audience that managed to tear themselves away from the Victorian Stroll that had just kicked off outside one hour previous, they were treated to two sets of excellent and varied music, including all the tracks from the aforementioned album.

Garrett knows how to pick a strong opener, and “Aphrodite” certainly fits the bill. The driving song is a good showcase for his unconventional, deep voice, and quickly shakes off any eggnog-driven malaise you might have come in with. From there it was a hard right turn into the infectious and very danceable “All

### Album Review: ‘Reaching Through Dreams’ By Lucas Garrett

**QUEENSBURY** – Lucas Garrett is a math major. Now you may think that mathematicians are not deep thinkers, au contraire. After listening to “Reaching Through Dreams,” I spoke with him about life and this new album.

While he is as analytical as you would expect, his creativity comes from his attention to the subtleties of human conversation. He finds that cadence informs his creation of rhythm. Running in the background is his need to communicate the anxiety of meeting someone; being changed by the experience; and the “limitless meaning of the word” *love*.

As with all creative people, Lucas has filled many roles from guitar teacher to studio assistant to performance artist. Watch for his future involvement in composing for films. You can hear some of that cinematic flair here, most notably in “Down We Fall,” my nominee for cinematic application. It starts out sotto and with a calculated crescendo, transports one to the mountain cliff scene of Last of the Mohicans. You know the one where Uncas follows Alice to her death? Chills!

I have spent a lifetime writing prose. I have often consoled myself that even Lincoln would have rewritten the Gettysburg address, so you have to stop editing somewhere. That does not hold true for Lucas. He told me that every time he listens to this album, he wouldn’t change a thing. Glad he reached through his dreams and made “the album he really wanted to make.”

— Marie Miller  
Nippertown

Around Me.” This trend would continue for the duration of the show – Garrett doesn’t really have a single, easily-identifiable style. He clearly enjoys many different genres and incorporates them into his own catalog. He does this in a very natural way, though. He’s not a fussy guy trying to go out of his way to show you how much he knows about music. He just digs a lot of different stuff and lets it flow.

The first set featured my favorite song of the night, “So Many Times.” I like the stop/start dynamics of this one very much, and I very much dig the interplay between Garrett’s own voice and that of vocalist Madison Lewis. Lewis’ sometimes belting, sometimes gentle stylings are elevated by the stark contrast of Garrett’s Waitsonian growl, and vice versa. Definitely a case of the total being more than the sum of its parts here, and a nod to the wisdom Garrett showed by recently asking Lewis to be a full member of his band.

Garrett mixed in a few

very interesting covers with his own material, including Talking Heads’ “Naive Melody” and Tom Waits’ “Jockey Full of Bourbon.” These two allowed him to stretch out and play the very understated but very impressive guitar parts that these two songs have in common. The completely unexpected “Heat Wave,” as popularized by Martha and the Vandellas, was just an in-your-face blast of good fun, full stop.

Other highlights for this listener included the second-set opener “We Can’t Go Back” (from the new record) as well as the closer “One More for the Road.”

I’ve seen Lucas Garrett perform twice recently, and found both shows to be extremely enjoyable and completely distinct. If you haven’t yet had the chance to see him perform, you owe it to yourself to remedy that. And do pick up a copy of “Reaching through Dreams” – there is truly something for everybody on it.

### editors' playlist the spot 518

Walk in the Rave  
Lucille Croft, TMRW

Pumping  
Eidly

Wild Child  
The Bloody Beetroots, Ephwurd

Prophecy  
Slooze

Bubblegum  
ESSEL

Party All Night  
NostalgiX, Chi City

Techno  
Drezo, MASTERIA

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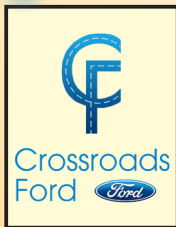


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116-192	116



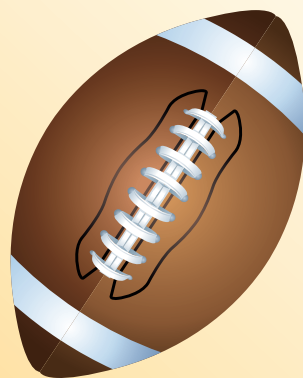
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