

## NEWS

### Local district among best

A Buffalo publication known for its annual assessment of public school districts, handed out its rankings recently, and one local school was named among best in the state.

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### Enjoy summer

All walks of life hit the rail trail Saturday for Summer Solstice Celebration.

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## TOP STORY



# 125 years and counting

Albany Country Club celebrates a special anniversary

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**VOORHEESVILLE** — This year marks the 125th anniversary of the Albany Country Club.

Founded in 1890, the Albany Country Club was the 30th golf club to open in America. Today it holds the distinction of being one of the oldest operating country clubs in the country, and one of oldest continuously operated businesses in the Capital Area.

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Members of the Albany Country Club recently celebrated 125 years of history in style.

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## ENTERTAINMENT



### Dancing with the stars

Opera Saratoga will premiere a special Baroque period production in the outdoors.

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## SPORTS



### Crossing paths

An exhibition between the ValleyCats and Dutchmen was reminiscent of the old State League rivalry between the baseball teams of Troy and Albany years ago.

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## LOOK INSIDE THIS EDITION!

## ■ BUSINESS

# Irish pub to receive funds

Town announces winner in second round of microenterprize grants

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**BETHLEHEM** — The town has announced another microenterprize grant winner during its second selection round.

Earlier this month, the town's Economic Developer put forward

O'Slattery's Irish Restaurant and Pub for a \$30,000 grant, after their application was evaluated by the Microenterprize Grant Application review committee.

"They need to purchase all new kitchen equipment, so the \$30,000 will be used to buy the kitchen

equipment they need to get up and running," said Economic Development Coordinator and Senior Plasmner Elizabeth Staubach.

The new restaurant is a concept by William "Liam" Slattery and friend Keith O'Brien, who grew up together in Ireland. The

project was passed by the town's Planning Board in April.

The restaurant is planned for the former Lovin' Cafe at 318 Delaware Avenue at Main Square Shoppes. Slattery said he is currently the bar manager of Perfect Pint Irish Bar and Restaurant in Manhattan, while O'Brien owns a construction company.

Slattery's wife, Jackie, is from Bethlehem. The couple now have two children, and part of the reason Delmar was chosen for the new venture was so their kids could be raised in her hometown. Liam and Jackie Slattery would oversee day-to-day operations of the business, while O'Brien oversees construction and maintenance.

Slattery said the location shows promise as the town has a growing population, and new businesses are attracted to the area. Building plans call for two vacant spaces to be combined into one. However, the sides will remain "slightly separate,"

so one side can remain quiet with private tables. The entire restaurant would be about 2,150 square feet, along with the existing deck for outdoor seating.

The proposed exterior would be a dark gray. The sign would be scarlet with gold lettering in an attempt to emulate a "vintage" Irish pub. This would be a bit different from the building's current light blue.

Staubach said O'Slattery's plans to open toward the end of August, or early September.

Three other businesses were previously awarded grants in May.

Twisted Vine Wine & Tap is the newest venture from the owners and general manager of Perfect Blend. The wine bar, soon to open at Delmar's Four Corners, was awarded \$25,000 for machinery and equipment. It will create between four to six part-time jobs.

The new Sky Beauty Bar will be a full service salon and blow dry bar at 339 Delaware Ave. This will be an expansion of Kelly

Anne's Salon up the road, with all existing stylists transferring to the new location. The business was awarded \$15,250 for new furniture, fixtures, machines and equipment. They will start with five employees and expand to 10.

The final winner was Keep Moving with Stephanie, which is a mobile personal trainer service that specializes in working with elderly clients. The service is helpful for those who cannot easily get to the gym. A \$5,400 grant was awarded to help purchase new equipment.

The Town of Bethlehem won a \$200,000 microenterprize grant from the state earlier in 2014 as economic development officials continue to seek out new avenues to promote growth. Staubach said the town now has about \$28,000 left to award to new businesses, and about \$27,000 left to award existing businesses.

Several more applications are expected to be approved by the town next month.

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## ■ EDUCATION

## BCSD ranked #6

The Bethlehem Central School District has been ranked sixth in overall educational performance out of 431 upstate school districts.

The districts were rated by Buffalo-based publication Business First in its fifth annual school district ratings. This is the third year Bethlehem has been in the Top 10 and it is the highest place rank for the district.

Bethlehem started at Number 12 in 2011.

"I am extremely proud of the collaborative work our faculty and staff puts forth in educating our students," said Superintendent Thomas

Douglas. "Despite the rhetoric and politics at the State Capitol that could dampen the spirits of anyone in our profession, the commitment of educators in Bethlehem to move students forward on the path to success is, in my opinion, second to none."

Each district's rank reflects the collective performance of its elementary, middle and high schools from 2011 to 2014, the most recent four-year period for which comprehensive statistics are available from the New York State Education Department. The rating formula has 200 components, ranging from

English and math tests for third graders up to the full complement of Regents exams for high schoolers.

"While proud of the steady growth Bethlehem enjoys in these rankings, no one list can paint a complete picture of what a quality education looks like in 2015," said Douglas. "What I see every day are teachers who are able to connect with students, administrators and staff who provide an enriching learning environment, and a community that values education above all else."

Bethlehem was the only district in the Capital District to be ranked in the Top 10. — Marcy Velte

## ■ COPS, COURTS AND EMERGENCY CALLS

# Van crashes into New Scotland pond

State Police in New Scotland along with Albany County Sheriff deputies, EMS, and Slingerlands and New Salem Fire Departments responded to a motor vehicle accident involving a van that was partially submerged into a pond off of New Scotland South Road in New Scotland. The incident occurred on Thursday, June 18, around 12 p.m. The cause of the incident is still under investigation. Preliminary investigation suggests the operator of the vehicle may have experienced a medical emergency. The driver was taken to Albany Medical Center for evaluation.



## Three men arrested after one jumps from Twin Bridges

State Police arrested three men for criminal trespass Sunday, June 21, after receiving a report of a man about to jump off the Twin Bridges.

Police responded to the report of a man about to jump off the bridge into the Mohawk River on I-87. Before police arrived, the man, Robert I. Fazackerly, 24, of Georgia, had jumped off the bridge and swam to the south side of the river, according to authorities. Troopers found Fazackerly uninjured on the riverbank with Christopher Sauer, 28, of Rhode Island, and Marcos M. Duarte, 32, of Pennsylvania.

According to police, the three said they were travelling

on the Northway and "thought the bridge would be a 'cool' place to jump from." All three were taken into custody for criminal trespass. Fazackerly was also charged with disorderly conduct.

They were processed and arraigned in the Town of Colonie Court. Sauer was released on bail, with Fazackerly and Duarte remanded to Albany county Jail.

### Other arrests:

- Bethlehem Police arrested Donna Tuttle, 48, of Delson, in Slingerlands on Wednesday, May 13, and charged her with DUI. Police stopped Tuttle around 6 p.m. for allegedly moving between lanes unsafely. Police observed her to have an odor of alcohol emanating from her breath and glassy eyes. Tuttle reportedly failed three standardized field sobriety tests and refused to take a breath test to determine her BAC level. She was scheduled to appear in court on Tuesday, June 2.

- Bethlehem Police arrested David Ross, 30, of Albany Saturday, May 16 and charged him with DUI and aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle. Police stopped Ross in Selkirk after he allegedly failed to signal when changing lanes. Ross reportedly failed three field sobriety tests and refused to take a breath test to determine his BAC level. He was scheduled to appear in court on Tuesday, June 2.

- Bethlehem Police arrested Kais Al-Atwi, 22, of Berne around 5 a.m. on Sunday, May 17, and charged him with DUI and unlicensed operation of an uninsured motor vehicle. Police observed the vehicle driving at high rate of speed with half the vehicle in the eastbound lane of traffic. Police continued to signal the vehicle for two-thirds of a mile while the vehicle continued at a high rate of speed before it came to a stop. He had a BAC of 0.13 percent according to police. He was scheduled to appear

in Bethlehem Town Court on Tuesday, May 19.

- Albany County Sheriffs arrested Heath Ellerup, 21, of Slingerlands around 1 a.m. on Thursday, June 6, and charged him with DWI. Police responded to a report that a motor vehicle had driven off of the roadway on New Scotland Road in New Scotland. Police reportedly observed Ellerup to have glassy eyes and slurred speech. Heath had a BAC reading of 0.09 percent according to police. When asked how much he'd had to drink that night Ellerup allegedly told police that he had consumed several beers several hours prior to driving the vehicle. He is scheduled to appear in New Scotland town court on Thursday, July 9.

- State Police in Clifton Park arrested Tyler Cirincione, 18, of Clifton Park, on Tuesday, June 16, and charged him with DWI. Police allegedly found Cirincione to be intoxicated while driving on Townpath Lane in Halfmoon. He is scheduled to reappear in court at a later date.

- State Police in Malta arrested Paul Sims, 23, of Stillwater around 12 a.m. on Wednesday, June 17 and charged him with DWI. Police stopped the vehicle on Round Lake Road in Ballston. According to police, after the Sims pulled over his vehicle, he then put the vehicle into reverse causing the vehicle to strike the front of the police cruiser. Sims then allegedly fled the scene on foot and was located a short time after. He refused to take a breath test to determine his BAC level and is scheduled to appear in court at a later date.

- State Police arrested Joseph Teson, 63, of Clifton Park on Saturday, June 13 and charged him with a DWI. Police stopped the vehicle for an alleged traffic violation on Route 146. Teson is scheduled to appear in court at a later date.

- State Police arrested Allison Ancowitz, 34, of Slingerlands on Saturday,

June 13 and charged her with DWI. Police stopped Ancowitz on Veeder Road in the Town of Guilderland for a traffic infraction. During interview, police reportedly detected an odor of alcohol emanating from her breath. Ancowitz reportedly had a BAC of 0.08 percent and is scheduled to appear in Guilderland Town Court on Thursday, June 25.

- State Police in Guilderland arrested Kevii Myers, 22, Angel Madera, 22, and Jail Burris, 22 all of Albany, on Friday, June 12, and charged them with criminal possession of stolen property in the 3rd degree. Madera was additionally charged with criminal possession of marijuana. Police stopped the vehicle on I-90 at Exit 25 for an alleged traffic violation. While checking the registration of the vehicle, it was discovered that the vehicle had been

reported stolen out of Schenectady. They were remanded to Albany County Court in lieu of bond.

- State Police arrested Addison Crawley, 20, of Ravena around 12 a.m. on Saturday, June 13 and charged her with a DWI. Police stopped the vehicle on I-87 for an alleged traffic violation. Crawley reportedly had a BAC of 0.11 percent and was scheduled to appear in court on Monday, June 22.

- State Police arrested James Hyde of Ravena on Thursday, June 11 at around 8 p.m. on I-87 and charged him with a DWI. Hyde reportedly had a BAC of 0.08 percent and is scheduled to appear in Albany Court on Tuesday, June 30.

- State Police arrested Christine A. Jordan, 29, of Niskayuna, Wednesday, June 10, and charged her with aggravated DWI.

Police responded to a disable vehicle on State Route 7 in the Town of Colonie. After investigation, police arrested her for DWI and found her to have a BAC of 0.23 percent.

- Stephen Vilsaint, 44, of Saratoga Springs, pleaded guilty to aggravated DWI, a felony, Friday morning, June 19, according to Albany County District Attorney David Soares. Vilsaint was operating a 2011 Nissan and got into a property damage crash around Route 7 and I-87 in the Town of Colonie on Nov. 4, 2013, around 5:25 a.m. State Police found Vilsaint to be intoxicated with a 0.20 percent BAC. Vilsaint faces one to three years in state prison, the installation of an ignition interlock device for five years following his release, and a minimum of 18 months license revocation when sentenced Aug. 14.

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## COMMUNITY



# Summer on the trail

**SLINGERLANDS** — The Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy hosted the Summer Solstice Celebration on Saturday. A handful of dignitaries representing Bethlehem, New Scotland and Albany County were on hand to kick things off from behind the Slingerlands Fire House.

Several local vendors peppered the length of the former D&H Railroad in Voorheesville, Slingerlands and Delmar. Animals were on display, as was a chance to receive a massage, and cups of lemonade. In all, there were approximately 50 vendors providing food, drinks, information and education.

The Albany County Helderberg Hudson Rail Trail is a nine mile stretch of an old D&H rail line running from Voorheesville to the Port of Albany. The Albany County Helderberg Hudson Rail Trail is owned by Albany County and is being developed and operated with the cooperation of the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy and its Friends of the Rail Trail committee, the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland, and the Village of Voorheesville.

The rail was abandoned in 2003, and has since been the focus of the trust group to reclaim the land to convert it from railroad use to a community trail. The trust and Albany County anticipate that a trail from the Port of Albany to the Village of Voorheesville will be completed by the end of this year.

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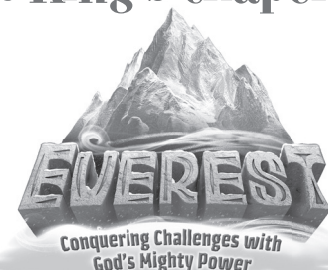


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## COMMUNITY

# A new beginning for fun

### Huck Finn's Playland officially opens

By **EMILY DREW**  
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**ALBANY** — Dozens of eager kids waited with parents at the small train station of Huck Finn's Playland after it officially opened its gates to customers.

Eight months after the local icon Hoffman's Playland closed its doors for good, Huck Finn's Playland officially opened in downtown Albany Thursday, June 18. All but the rollercoaster was up and running for kids to ride from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. last Thursday. Regular park hours will be from noon to 9 p.m.

Although the workday was just ending and school not yet over, kids and parents were ready with tickets in hand to take a spin on the carousel and test out the new view from the train.

Sisters Patti Huba and Laurie Burkhard from Guilderland took pictures of the brick bought in their Boston-based sister's name for her birthday for the Hoffman's commemorative walkway.

"We used to come here when we were little, when it was up at the other place," said Huba. "Then we brought our kids, and they brought their kids, so it's been a family tradition."

The Playland was filled

with such memories as kids and parents alike got in line for their favorite rides. Huba said her children used to love the carousel.

"We're just checking it out. We wanted to see if they put up all the rides, where to park and all that before we bring the kids," said Huba.

Burkhard said they were pleased to see the amount of parking and how the site was set up with the furniture warehouse just beside the park. "We wondered how they would fit everything here, but it's really nice. You can see it from the highway, too."

The park's opening didn't come without expectations. Huck Finn's bought the park rides after a rallying cry from the community to keep the equipment together after David and Ruth Hoffman officially announced their retirement in 2013.

Hoffman's Playland held a 62-year legacy within the Capital District and beyond. After the Hoffmans' retirement announcement, people nationwide joined the Facebook group "Save Hoffman's Playland."

At first, it was thought that the park equipment would need to be auctioned off to separate buyers after selling the park at its Latham location proved not to be an option with recent surrounding developments.

Huck Finn's then stepped up and bought the equipment. "It was very, very important to

the community," said Jeff Sperber, Huck Finn's president.

The business received a \$250,000 grant from National Grid, a \$250,000 grant from Empire State Development and a \$150,000 grant from Albany County Industrial Development Agency to cover part of the \$1.8 million opening cost.

"It was just something we wanted to do so that the legacy could go on for future generations," said Sperber.

Following in the footsteps of Hoffman's, the park will provide over 100 seasonal jobs. At the Colonie Chamber of Commerce's annual dinner, where the Hoffmans received the Spirit of the Community Award, David Hoffman recalled the hundreds of young teens who worked their first jobs at Hoffman's. Some, like the Hoffmans themselves, even met future spouses working at the amusement park.

On Thursday, those young employees in Huck Finn's uniforms helped children onto carousel horses, strapped children into the tilt-a-whirl and stopped foot traffic for the train to chug on by.

Sperber estimated about 600 to 700 people stopped by for the opening night. "People were just thrilled. They loved the park and loved the layout. Kids were having a ball. It was all extremely positive. We couldn't have asked for more," he said.



The carousel saw a steady stream of young kids wanting to take a spin at the ride's new home at Huck Finn's.

Emily Drew/Spotlight

Huck Finn's Playland opened Thursday, June 18, and saw hundreds of kids and parents throughout the evening lining up for favorite rides to make new memories.

Emily Drew/Spotlight



Although at a new location and under new ownership with Huck Finn's, Capital District residents still waited in anticipation to once more get on favorite rides transported from the now closed Hoffman's Playland.

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# The sound of summer

Ready for some music to your ears? Our annual summer concert series, Evenings on the Green, kicks off Wednesday, July 1, with a performance by Three Quarter North, an ensemble of homegrown musicians performing bluegrass, folk and roots music.

The rest of the month features an equally strong lineup with family-friendly performances by Mother Goose Jazz Quintet on July 8, Skip Parsons on July 15, Cosby Gibson and Tom Staudle on July 22, and Moonshine Holler closing out the series on July 29. You'll find the



schedule online at [www.bethlehempublib.org](http://www.bethlehempublib.org), in the latest issue of our Footnotes newsletter, or at the library information desk.

To further sweeten the experience, the Friends of the Library will be holding an ice cream social and membership drive at the July 8 concert. Nothing says summer like a cool treat and some outdoor tunes.

The Evenings on the Green series has been entertaining the

community for more than four decades. Join us this July for one or all of these great performances. Bring a blanket or lawn chair, pick a spot on the Green, then sit back, relax and enjoy. Concerts will move indoors if it rains.

Evenings on the Green concerts are always free, appropriate for all ages, and they take place every Wednesday in July at 7 p.m.

### A farewell

At the June 15 Board of Trustees meeting, library staffers and fellow trustees bid farewell to President Jeremy Martelle and Vice President John McCarthy,

whose terms wrap up at the end of the month. The library is grateful for the time and energy they have devoted to the board over the years — a five-year term is no small commitment — and we wish them the best in all their future endeavors.

### Some reminders

Our Summer Reading Program is under way! Sign up online and in the library. Get all the details in the July/August issue of Footnotes.

The library will be closed on Friday, July 3, and Saturday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

The library is closed Sundays in July and August, beginning July 5.

### Upcoming events

**Friday, June 26**

**Preschool Films**

Join us in the Community Room for short films based on picture books. For children up to age 6 with family. 10-10:30 a.m.

**Saturday, June 27**

**Time Out for Tales**

Stories and fun for children up to age 6 and families. 11 a.m.

**Wednesday, July 1**

**Evenings on the Green**

Three Quarter North

performs bluegrass, folk and roots music. 7 p.m.

**Thursday, July 2**

**I Forgot Day**

Forgot an important birthday or holiday? This is the perfect time to celebrate! Don't forget to stop by the library to create a card or craft for someone special. For kids and families. 10 a.m.

**Thursday, July 2**

**Teen SEWcial: Pajama Pants**

Make a custom pair of pajama pants. Boys and girls welcome. Bring 3 yards of fabric. For grade 6-12. 1:30-4 p.m. Sign up required: 439-9314.

— Kristen Roberts

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

### TCBY and Five Guys host fundraiser

**GUILDERLAND** — Come to Five Guys and TCBY at 1512 Western Ave. on Thursday, June 25, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., for a fundraiser to support the Rodino Family.

The Rodino Family has been fighting Huntington's Disease since 2008, as this illness took the life of the family's 8-year-old daughter in 2010. The father, Rick Rodino, and his two children, Anthony and Gianna, all have the disease.

Along with 20 percent of proceeds from purchasing food going to the family, there will be a dunk tank with local celebrities, and there will be butterflies for sale.

### Fishing clinic at Five Rivers

**BETHLEHEM** — Come celebrate New York State's free fishing weekend at this parent and child catch-and-release fishing clinic on Saturday, June 27, at 10 a.m. at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road.

Volunteers from the Albany County Conservation Alliance

will share information on everything novice anglers need to know about fishing equipment, techniques, regulations, consumption advisories and good places to fish. Bring gear if you have some; we have a limited number of rods and reels available for loan. This program may be cancelled in event of inclement weather. Registration is limited.

At 2 p.m., Five Rivers will celebrate Great American Campout Day with a program about tent camping. Participants will help select a site, pitch a tent, learn what to pack and more. This clinic will discuss basic equipment, safety, hygiene, wildlife pests and the best places to go camping.

Please call 475-0291 by Wednesday, June 24, to register for these programs or for more information.

### Thacher honeybees are buzzing

**VOORHEESVILLE** — The Thacher Nature Center, 87 Nature Center Way, is offering a honeybee program Saturday, June 27, at 2 p.m.

Come and learn all about honeybees as you view the colony in the indoor observation

hive. See the busy workers, the specialized drones and the ever-important queen bee in action. Learn how to dance like a bee, and view the world from a bee's perspective. There will be an outdoor walk following the indoor program to observe honeybees in the gardens.

To register or for more information, call 872-0800.

### Town offers summer camps and events

**BETHLEHEM** — The Town of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department has a wide variety of summer activities and events for the whole family.

Toddler and pre-school age activities include Little Dudes Playtime, Start Smart, Toddler Splash and Tiny Tot Swim. The department also offers school age day camps, specialty camps and activities including basketball, flag football, field hockey, pee wee soccer and more.

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

### 'Beach Party' vacation Bible camp

**VOORHEESVILLE** — The First United Methodist Church will have a Vacation Bible Camp

called "Beach Party" Monday, June 29, through Thursday July 2, from 9 a.m. until noon.

Activities include Bible stories, snacks, crafts, and music. Each child will receive a CD of the music they learn. Children ages 4 years to fourth grade are eligible to attend. Registration is \$25 per child and a registration form can be obtained by stopping by the church Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to noon, or visit the website at [www.fumcv.org](http://www.fumcv.org). Please preregister as soon as possible.

### Volunteer with Community Caregivers

**ALBANY** — Here is a chance for you to make a difference this summer with Community Caregivers.

Community Caregivers is a volunteer organization that provides transportation, friendly visits, respite for family caregivers, shopping assistance, prescription pickup, telephone assurance calls, help with meal preparation, and paperwork and chores as needed. Volunteers provide non-medical services at no charge to residents in Bethlehem, Guilderland, Altamont, New Scotland, Voorheesville, Berne, Knox, and

in the city of Albany.

If interested, please register for one of the following volunteer orientation dates: Tuesday, July 7, at 1 p.m.; Thursday, July 23, at 10 a.m.; Tuesday, Aug. 4, at noon; and Monday, Aug. 17, at 5:30 p.m. Invite neighbors to join you in volunteering. All orientations are located at 2021 Western Ave.

Contact the office at 456-2898 or [volunteer@communitycaregiver.org](mailto:volunteer@communitycaregiver.org).

### New art exhibit at Bethlehem Chamber

**BETHLEHEM** — There is a new art exhibit at the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce displaying artwork by members of the Bethlehem Art Association during June and July at the Chamber of Commerce office at 318 Delaware Ave., Suite 11.

This is an opportunity for people in the Bethlehem area to see the range of artistic talent that exists within the community. Every two months a new array of artwork goes on display. The Chamber of Commerce office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

To find other locations where local artists show their work, visit [www.bethlehemartassociation.com](http://www.bethlehemartassociation.com).

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# Start your reading adventure

Kids and teens — and their folks, of course — will want to be at GPL the evening of Wednesday, July 1, at 6 p.m. for the ice cream-fueled kick-off of 2015's Super Summer Reading Adventure.

As has been proven time and time again, keeping reading skills sharp is vital to success in school. While summer is a great time for fun in the sun, trips to the lake or the shore or to the mountains, it's also the time when kids might fall into the "summer slide," when the hard-won edge might come off those precious reading skills. Kids and teens can "fight the slide" with GPL's summer reading program and become a super reading hero.

Take a few moments to check out the summer reading club brochures that went home in backpack mail for elementary and middle school students before school ended. Or you can go online right now to check out the kids' activities and programs — "Every Hero Has a Story" — at [guilpl.org/](http://guilpl.org/)

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supersummer, and the teens' "Unmask!" events at [guilpl.org/teensummer](http://guilpl.org/teensummer).

There's a very special event taking place starting July 1: We are asking our youngest readers to create a design for our new GPL Kids Library Card. Entry forms will be available at the Super Summer Reading Adventure Kick-Off. All entries will be displayed in the library, and the public will vote on the winner. So, don't forget to pick up the entry form when you come to the library. We cannot wait to see what you create.

But the key thing is now is to come to the July 1 kick-off. It starts at 6 p.m., and there will be plenty of ice cream for all. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

### Take our survey

What do you want your library to be? How often do you use GPL? What

do you like about it, what needs improvement, or what would new programs or services would you like to see?

These simple questions, and a few more, are what the library's long range planning committee would like you to answer in the "Tell GPL!" survey.

By taking the survey — either online at [guilpl.org/TellGPL](http://guilpl.org/TellGPL) or by completing one of the print copies at the library — you can keep your responses absolutely confidential, or provide your name so you can be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a \$25 gift card from a local business.

We are asking everyone to take part, library users and non-users alike. GPL's mandate is to serve everyone in the town. Only through your participation can we formulate a plan that will meet the community's needs.

## The need for blood is urgent

With the onset of summer comes the dramatic increase in the need for blood donations. The American Red Cross is holding a blood drive at GPL on Thursday, July 2, from 1 to 6 p.m.

Make an appointment by going to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and using the location and calendar feature. Drop-ins are always welcome. Remember: your help is urgently needed.

## Holiday and summer hours

GPL will be closed for the Independence Day Weekend: Friday, July 3, and Saturday, July 4. This first weekend in July starts GPL's summer hours, when the library is closed on Sundays during July and August. So, GPL will be closed on Sunday, July 5, as well.

— Mark Curiale

# What's behind the fizz

On Thursday, June 25, at 4 p.m., discover the science behind everyone's favorite fizzy drink. Find out what it takes to make soda and some other fun things about soft drinks that you probably didn't know. Drop in; no need to register.

## Super hero certification

All kids are super heroes in our book, so why not make it official? On Wednesday, July 1, at 4 p.m., the library will kick off the summer reading program with a Super Hero Certification for kids. Make a super hero cape, perform heroic acts on our obstacle course and be presented with an official super hero certificate.

Once you're certified,

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register for our summer reading program to win prizes and exercise your power to read all summer.

## Storytimes and holiday hours

Regular storytimes take a break starting this week to gear up for summer programming. On Thursday, July 2, we will have a special Family Storytime at 10:30 a.m. Storytimes return to their regular schedule beginning on Tuesday, July 7.

The library will be closed July 3 through July 5 to celebrate Independence Day.

— Carol Melewska

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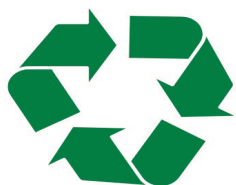
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# Delivery person needed

**W**e need a Meals on Wheels volunteer to help deliver meals to homebound residents in Guilderland on Friday mornings, from approximately 10 to 11:30 a.m. Please call the Senior Office at 356-1980, ext. 1095 for more details.

Meals on Wheels substitute drivers are also needed. If you are interested in volunteering "once in a while" for about 90 minutes, this is an opportunity for you. Meals are delivered to Guilderland and Altamont residents on weekdays. Please call 356-1980, ext. 1095 for more information.



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## Town of Guilderland SENIOR CALENDAR

### Trips update

The June 17 trip was cancelled due to a lack of participants. We are now including deadlines for trip sign-ups. This deadline is to ensure the interest and participation in the trip, and to get a full refund from the venue and Brown Coach if there is not enough participation.

Sept. 29 — Gavin's Country Inn, Cornwallville (deadline: Aug. 26)

Start with a welcome of coffee/tea, scones and bingo. There will be an all-you-can-eat luncheon buffet of prime rib, shrimp cocktail, baked ziti, lasagna, tossed salad and make-your-own sundaes. Live music to follow at 1:30 p.m. Cost: \$56.

Oct. 7 — Lake George Dinner Theatre: "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare

(Abridged)" (deadline: Sept. 8)

A fast-paced, madcap, Reader's Digest romp through all of the Bard's plays, performed in the hilarious style of Monty Python and the Marx Brothers. This family-friendly "send-up" of Shakespeare features three overachieving actors attempting to perform all 37 of his plays in 90 minutes.

Meal choices: beef with caramelized onions and portabella mushroom demi-glaze; chicken marsala with mushrooms, roasted red peppers and marsala demi-glaze; broiled salmon with a creamy dill hollandaise sauce; or assorted sautéed vegetables over penne pasta with pesto and parmesan cheese. Cost: \$71.

### Wednesday, June 24

Scheduled shopping  
9 a.m. Cardio Circuit  
10:30 a.m. Strong Bones +  
10:30 a.m. Senior Fitness

1 p.m. Needlecraft  
1:30 p.m. Strong Bones +

### Thursday, June 25

Scheduled shopping  
9 a.m. Strong Bones Plus  
9:45 a.m. Men's Trip to Chesterwood Museum  
12:30 p.m. Mahjongg  
1 p.m. Pinochle

### Friday, June 26

Scheduled shopping  
10 a.m. Painting  
10 a.m. Bridge  
1 p.m. Quilting

### Monday, June 29

Scheduled shopping  
No 9 a.m. Aerobics  
10:30 a.m. Strong Bones +  
No 10:30 a.m. Senior Fitness  
1:30 p.m. Strong Bones +

### Tuesday, June 30

9 a.m. Strong Bones Plus  
11:30 a.m. Luncheon: Grilled chicken on bun or cold plate  
12:30 p.m. Bingo/Rummikub

# Summer reading is important

**S**tudies show that elementary aged children who don't read regularly over the summer vacation lose a portion of their learned skills. This is called the "summer slide." You can help your kids avoid the summer slide by participating in a summer reading program at the library of your choice. At Voorheesville, we're doing the "Every Hero has a Story!" program this year.

We're excited to help keep our community's young people reading and learning through the summer.

## Preschool and Summertots

This year, the Voorheesville Library will provide preschool and toddler programs throughout the summer.

On Tuesday, July 7, 14, 21 and 28, we will have a theme-based, multi-age



level storytime (for ages 2 to 6, with caregiver) with an emphasis on early literacy. Books, rhymes, songs, and an art activity comprise the program.

On Thursday, July 9, 16, 23 and 30, Summertots (for newborns to 36 months, with caretaker) will join Miss Amy for an early literacy program that emphasizes sharing books, flannel board stories, music, rhymes, and playtime together. After the short program, children will have the opportunity to play with age-appropriate toys and learning activities either indoors or outdoors. Water play activities will take place outside, so don't forget to wear your sunscreen, and bring a towel and an extra change of clothes.

Both programs will begin at 10:15 a.m.

— Lynn Kohler

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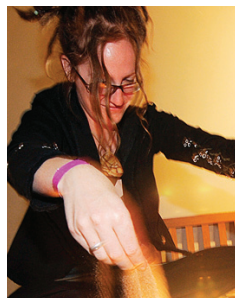
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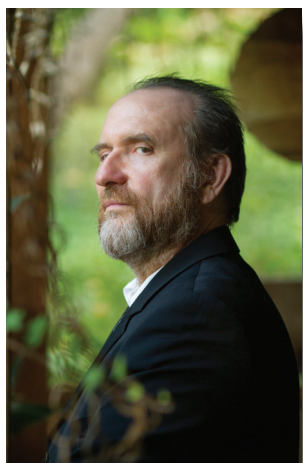


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**PICK OF THE WEEK**



**Colin Hay**

"Long known as the front man for the '80s pop group from Australia, Men at Work, Colin Hay will perform a solo act at The Egg, at the Empire State Plaza, Wednesday, June 24.

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**ENTERTAINMENT**



# Dancing with the stars

Opera Saratoga to host "Dido and Aeneas" under the stars

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**  
[halliseym@spotlightnews.com](mailto:halliseym@spotlightnews.com)

The melding of fashion with the arts is a common enough relationship, as one often feeds the other – life imitating art, art imitating life – but, the conscious marriage of art with science is a unique pairing, one guaranteed to be found if Karole Armitage is involved.

"I find much inspiration in my love of nature," said dance choreographer Karole Armitage. "I draw a lot of technical ideas from nature to create movement such as using fractal geometry – the geometry of nature, clouds, mountains – rather than Euclidian geometry. This makes a curvilinear, sinuous movement vocabulary as opposed to one of straight lines." Armitage has as much of a mind for science as she does an aptitude for dance. Raised by a scientist for a father, she can hold her own in a conversation over climate change better than you can attempt to dance the Rose Adagio in pointe. "I almost never use exact unison on stage. Who has ever seen birds flapping their wings at exactly the same time? Instead they are travelling together and sharing the experience, which has allowed me to think about how dancers and singers can move together in a different way."

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◀ Peter Speliopoulos, creative director of Donna Karan New York, is costume designer for "Dido and Aeneas."

Sketch provided by Peter Speliopoulos

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## LIVE MUSIC

# Altamont set to take you back

Old Songs Festival kicks off Friday

**ALTAMONT** — If the grounds of the Altamont Fairgrounds could talk, it would spin a yarn of tales about old-time baseball games, automobile exhibitions and the countless of summer romances that blossomed under the carnival lights.

The Old Songs Festival kicks off this Friday, with a number of different performers spinning some yarn of their own, giving music lovers a taste of folk, traditional, Celtic, world music and dance.

Headliners include Brother Sun, Ellis, Runa, April Verch, Ken Whiteley, Dennise Stroughmatt, Yves Lambert and more, hailing from Appalachia, Ireland, Canada, England, Wales, Scotland and beyond.

Participatory dance stations are dedicated for Contras, English, Irish Set, Cajun and family dances.

In addition to the music, the annual festival boasts 120-daytime workshops given by the performers, and several different craft shows, food and instrument vendors. Music lovers have the opportunity to exchange their personal, unused instruments to purchase a new one at the on-site instrument exchange.

The three-day event prides itself in being a family-friendly activity, complete with a children's activity area, when the children get over stimulated by the tunes.


Tickets can be purchased on site or through the event's website at [festival.oldsongs.org](http://festival.oldsongs.org).

— Michael Hallisey

## IF YOU GO

- **What:** Old Songs Festival
- **When:** Friday, June 26 to Sunday, June 28
- **Where:** Altamont Fairgrounds, Route 146, Altamont
- **How much:** Adult, 3-Day pass with camping \$150 (\$130 w/o ), Adult day passes range from \$75 (Saturday) to \$40 (Friday evening).
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— Michael Hallisey

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## Backyard sanctuary

The Capital District has had its fair share of rainy weather the past few weeks. Though some of it severe, most of it has been welcoming for our lawns and gardens. Jane Wood, of Rotterdam, shared this picture with us of her backyard garden, complete with a koi pond. Feel free to share your pictures with us online through social media. If you do, you have the chance of appearing here with the pages of *Spotlight Living*.

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## FASHION

# Doctor, Doctor. Give me some shoes!

Retail therapy may be a prescription for you

By **DENISE BENNETT**  
news@spotlightnews.com

Whoever said you can't buy happiness never experienced the joy of a new pair of shoes.

They also may never had the pleasure of opening a new tube of lipstick and felt empowered by the newfound shade. Now, I am not suggesting retail therapy to the point of debt is a good thing, but I am saying there is nothing wrong with a little indulgence when your spirit could use a lift. My apologies to financial planners everywhere. I think you're full of empty shoeboxes.

Keep your splurge to a minimum. Twenty bucks is a good number to use. I am a fan of retail therapy because it allows for little indulgences when you need them. Life is hectic.

It is downright chaotic when you are in the middle of taking care of aging parents as well as your own family. Leaving your office for a trip to a local big box store, or the mall may be what you need. It serves two purposes, really.

First, it's an escape: You leave the situation you are in to venture out and do something new. Give yourself those moments to take a break. Second, you can pick up a little something to enjoy a little later.

So where are the best places for some retail therapy? It depends on your vice. The outlet to my vice just happens to be found at beauty and fashion stores. One recent experience led me to Walgreens, where I picked up some Rimmel BB cream. This \$7.00 splurge has since become a staple in my morning beauty

regimen. I've also been known to get a new nail polish, a hand cream, even an eyeliner.

If you're more on the fashion side of life, take a look at accessories at your local big box store. A lot of stores will have a trendy accessories offering and that scarf or pair of earrings you scoop up may just be your season's best pick. I can't tell you how many times a piece of jewelry I've grabbed while in line has become a mainstay among my daily outfit choices.

Now if you just don't want to leave your house, and you want to hide in your pajamas, online shopping can be just as fun. With the online experience, you can enjoy the rush of the purchase today and once it arrives later, you get the holiday joy of opening the box. On Friday's BaubleBar (costume jeweler based out of New York City) has a hidden bauble promotion.

They sell an item in their shop for \$10 until the item is sold out. So if you are having a crazy Friday (yes, it happens), treat yourself.

If money is tight, take to social media for some comfort window shopping. Hop on your favorite sites and peruse what's going on. See if you can get some ideas on how to take what you already have and transform it. For example, I'll do this often for scarves by visiting Scarves.net. They are an online shop as well as a reference for anything scarf related. I often go back to this site for ideas on new knots to try, new styling ideas and, of course, new scarf styles.

Life is crazy, but taking these moments to treat yourself really goes a long way. From impulsive coffee buys, to a pair of wedges, to a shiny new gloss, you can find small ways to make the everyday special.

Denise Bennett  
maintains a fashion blog on Perfect20.co



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## FITNESS

# We glisten

Sweat is not the benchmark to a good workout

By **DAN ROMAND**  
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We don't sweat, we "Glisten"

Recently in one of our group fitness sessions the question came up about sweat. Sweat is such an ugly word and we don't like it in my studio, so we call it "glistening."

Specifically it was asked: "Is it true, that if you aren't 'glistening' you aren't working hard enough?" They also wondered: "If you 'glisten' more are you burning more fat?" The answer to both is no.

In fact, in the very class that the question came up, I was able to show them how it's really not a good method of judging effort. In the group were two people that were polar opposites when it came to "glistening." Let's call them Ron and Andy. Both are the same age, size and

physical condition.

Ron was the type that if he even thought about exercising he would start "glistening". He soaks through his shirt in a matter of minutes and well... you get the idea. Andy, on the other hand, barely sweats at all. In fact, he could (and has) run a marathon and barely break out in a sweat.

During the class they were doing the exact same workout yet some thought Ron was working harder than Andy because he was "glistening" more. But was that really the case?

First what is "sweat"? Sweat is the body's way of cooling itself off, which is called thermoregulator. Put another way, as your muscles heat up your body works to cool them down by shedding heat and water.

For those that have a tendency to glisten a lot

it gives the appearance they've burned more fat or lost weight when all they've really done is shed more water. The minute they drink more, it comes right back.

Some people believe so much in the myth that they'll avoid drinking anything while working out thinking it will help them lose more fat. Worse, they'll wear those Belly Burner Bands, which make claims that you'll lose weight if you wear them by increasing your thermal core temperature. While that's technically true, as we mentioned it's just water loss, not real weight loss.

Not replenishing your fluids can actually be a dangerous thing leading to severe dehydration and even death. One trick I teach my clients is to weigh themselves just before and after working



out. If the number isn't about the same, it could mean you didn't replenish your fluids properly.

Getting back to Ron and Andy, we knew both of them were giving max effort in their workout. How? They both wear heart rate monitors. For a healthy person, these can be a great tool to use to see how hard you are exercising because it monitors the cardiac response, or how hard the heart is working.

Another good test is the talk test. For the average person, if you can carry

on a conversation, it's a low-moderate workout. If you can get out sentences but not easily carry a conversation, it's a little more intense. If you can't talk at all then it's an intense workout. Trust me when I say neither Andy nor Ron were saying much.

So why the difference?

The volume of "glisten" is dependent on many factors including gender (men tend to sweat more than women), age, and a person's fitness level.

But a very real factor is a little thing called genetics. We humans

are born with somewhere between 1 and 4 million sweat glands. And, guess what? More glands equal more sweat. It also depends on how active those glands are. Simply put, if you are a "glistener" you can attribute some of the blame to mom and dad.

So don't judge effort by someone's "glisten." It could be they just have a couple million more (or less) glands than you.

*Dan Romand is owner and operator of Full Circle Fitness NY in Colonie.*

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## CULINARY ARTS

# Balancing the scales

## Clean Strawberry Short Cake

By **STACEY MORRIS**  
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I get a little sentimental when June arrives, because it's a month that marks both my dad's birthday and Father's Day.

It's during the sixth month of the year that I remember my father more than I usually do: the outdoor birthday parties we'd have on my parents' deck, the way he wore Naval binoculars slung around his neck while watching sailboats race on Lake George, and the unusual fact that he wasn't all that into chocolate cake. However, Dad was *wild* about strawberry shortcake.

Like a lot of Americans with roots in the South, biscuits were a cherished carb of choice. And, who doesn't adore whipped cream? The strawberries in our region were usually reaching a juicy crescendo

as his birthday arrived, so it must have been a confluence of coincidence and logic that cemented this as his all-time favorite dessert.

When I went gluten and cow-dairy-free six years ago, I unconsciously sequestered Strawberry Shortcake to the underground recesses of my memory. No point in dwelling on it since two of the three ingredients involve white flour and heavy cream. Since writing my book, "Clean Comfort," I've become much more creative in my endeavors to enjoy comfort foods that aren't followed by a hangover. So it was a joyous day when I realized I could indeed eat Strawberry Shortcake again.

The procedure would be the same as with any other recipe I've made over: tastes and textures

are mimicked and approximated, ingredients are swapped, and because I want to maintain a 180-pound weight loss more than I want the taste of X,Y, or Z, I agree to eat something that is hardly an exact replica of the original, but is close enough. If that's my cross to bear in life, I got off easy.

The biscuits in this recipe are made from garbanzo beans; the whipped cream from coconut milk; the strawberries are the fresh off the farm. If you're craving this outside of strawberry season, the frozen unsweetened kind will do.

Sure, I could make a pan of biscuits out of gluten-free flour, and you're free to do that. Or, bake the traditional wheat flour variety. Or, as my mom is fond of doing, load up on a fresh-baked box of them via a KFC drive-thru window. I'm simply determined to squeeze

as much nutrition out of food as I can. Beans have a lower glycemic index than flour, they're ounce-for-ounce less expensive than flour, and lentils are fiber- and nutrient-rich, so there's no contest for me.

Thanks to my new formula, I can remember my dad through his favorite dessert on Father's Day. It's a delicious treat. And it brings back sweet memories of my dad. And if he were here, he'd be elated that I invented such a nourishing version of his favorite dessert.

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One actor investigates the crime, the other plays all of the suspects and they both play the piano. A zany blend of classic musical comedy and madcap mystery, this whodunit is a highly theatrical duet loaded with killer laughs.

“Murder for Two” features music by Joe

Kinosian, lyrics by Kellen Blair and direction by Scott Schwartz.

Kyle Branzel will play the suspects at Capital Repertory Theatre. Brandon Lambert will play Detective Marcus, July 10 to 19, followed by Ian Lowe, July 20 to Aug. 9. Lowe previously appeared at theRep alongside “Souvenir” star Georga Osborne in a popular 2009 production of “My Fair Lady.”

“Murder for Two” features choreography by Wendy Seyb, scenic design by Beowulf Boritt, costume design by Andrea Lauer, lighting design by Jason

Lyons and sound design by Jill “BC” DuBoff.

Produced by Jayson Raitt, Barbara Whitman, Steven Chaikelson and Second Stage Theatre, “Murder for Two” first played New York in a limited summer engagement at Second Stage Theatre Uptown in summer 2013. It was extended twice, due to popular demand, before transferring to New World Stages for an eight-month run through June 2014.

It is frequently extended in regional runs.

“Murder for Two” was developed at The Adirondack Theatre

Festival, in Glens Falls, and 42nd Street Moon, in San Francisco. Chicago Shakespeare Theater presented the World Premiere Production in May 2011. It was extended four times, running for more than six months; and Kinosian and Blair were recognized with Chicago’s prestigious Joseph Jefferson Award for Best New Musical.

The original cast recording of “Murder for Two,” helmed by multiple Grammy Award-winning Saratoga Springs producer Joel Moss and executive produced by Kurt Deutsch, features complete lyrics; never-before-seen photos; a show synopsis by creators Joe Kinosian and Kellen Blair; and an essay by Oscar® and Grammy Award-winning composer Stephen Schwartz.

Preview performances for “Murder for Two” take

place Friday, July 10, to Sunday, July 12. Opening night is Tuesday, July 14.

Regular performances continue through Sunday, Aug. 9. Performance times: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday; and 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday—with matinees 3 p.m. Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday; and 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 22. Capital Repertory Theatre, 111 N. Pearl Street, Albany.

Tickets range from \$20 to \$55. Students with valid ID: \$16 all shows. For tickets and information, call Tickets By Proctors, (518) 445-SHOW (7469) or visit capitalrep.org.

Opening night includes live music in the café at 6:30 p.m., and complimentary post-show champagne and dessert. The Chef’s Table performance, on Tuesday, July 21, includes

live pre-show music and complimentary hors d’oeuvres for ticketholders from Albany Pump Station, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the lobby.

Discussion nights for “Murder for Two,” featuring cast members fielding questions from the audience, will take place following the Wednesday evening performances on July 22 and 29.

The Sunday, Aug. 2 matinee will be preceded by a Behind-the-Scenes event, which features a complimentary light continental breakfast for ticketholders and discussion led by theRep’s Producing Artistic Director Maggie Mancinelli-Cahill. Food service begins at 12:30 p.m., with the presentation following from 1 to 1:30 p.m.

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Modern rock opera about young artists struggling to make it in New York City. Presented by Mac-Haydn Theatre, 1925 New York Route 203, Chatham, June 24-28. Shows: 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays; 2 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays; 4 p.m. Saturdays; and 7 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: adults \$33-\$34 evenings, \$31 matinees; children under 12 \$14. Information: 392-9292 or [www.machaydntheatre.org](http://www.machaydntheatre.org).

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Tony Award-winning comedy about a movie star who brings her boyfriend home to meet her family. Presented by Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham. Through June 27. Shows: Thursdays 7:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays 8 p.m., Sundays 3 p.m. Tickets: \$24. Information: 877-7529 or [www.curtaincalltheatre.com](http://www.curtaincalltheatre.com).



Peruvian funk

Novalima kicks off the Music Haven concert series Sunday, June 28, at the Agnes Macdonald Music Haven Stage in Schenectady's Central Park. See Page 13 for more details.

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MUSIC

Trio de Cuerdas

Maria Zemantauski, Sten Isachsen and Ray Andrews perform innovative arrangements

of Baroque, classical and flamenco music on guitar, mandolin, banjo, guilele and percussion. June 24, noon, Empire State Plaza outdoor concourse (next to The Egg), Albany. Free. Information: 473-1845.

Skeeter Creek

One of the Capital District's most popular country bands, with special guests The Troy Music Academy All-Stars. June 24, 5 p.m., Along the Riverfront, downtown Troy. Free. Information: 279-7997 or [www.downtowntroy.org](http://www.downtowntroy.org).

Maxi Priest

Pop/reggae artist performs as part of the Summer at the Plaza concert series, with Morgan Heritage. June 24, 5 p.m., Empire State Plaza Concourse, State Street side, Albany. Free.

Colin Hay

Former leader of Men at Work performs solo. June 24, 7:30 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Tickets: \$34. Information: 473-1845 or [www.theegg.org](http://www.theegg.org).

Wee-B3

Performing as part of the Jazz on Jay concert series. June 25, noon, Jay Street Arcade, Schenectady. Free.

J. Roddy Walston & The Business

Hard-rocking rockabilly band that delivers high-energy live shows, with opening act Avers. Part of Albany's Alive at Five concert series, June 25, 5 p.m., Jennings Landing, Corning Preserve, Albany. Free. Information: 434-2032 or [www.albanyevents.org](http://www.albanyevents.org).

Old Songs Festival

Three days of folk and traditional music featuring performances by Brother Sun, Ellis, Runa, April Verch,

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9 Garlic bulb segment  
14 High tea, e.g.  
15 Sprinter Devers  
16 Toast starter  
17 Shopper's haven  
18 \_\_\_\_ girl!  
19 Mindful  
20 '70s sitcom  
23 Manhattan district  
24 Precursor of CDs  
25 "Be Prepared" gp.  
28 Alfalfa, Spanky, et al.  
31 Phone button  
34 Lots of land  
36 Coach Parseghian  
37 River through Florence  
38 1966 Lovin' Spoonful hit  
42 Lend a hand  
43 LPN's group  
44 Flood foiler  
45 Young man  
46 Mother-of-pearl source  
49 Bungle  
50 Boston's nickname, with The  
51 Change for a C-note

- 53 Lillian Hellman play  
60 Home of 5 Across  
61 Secondhand  
62 Busch Gardens attraction  
63 Dateless  
64 Malden or Malone  
65 You said a mouthful!  
66 Collect the leftovers  
67 Hebrides language  
68 Nuisance

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- 1 Ms. Woodhouse  
2 Good buy  
3 Effrontery  
4 New York Bay island  
5 First name in whodunits  
6 Compassion  
7 Venue  
8 Patron saint of Norway  
9 Paris' \_\_\_\_ Elysées  
10 Arrowsmith author  
11 Doctoral exam  
12 Remarkably  
13 Computer add-on  
21 Eric the Red, e.g.  
22 God, in Mecca  
25 Fundamental  
26 Mike Nelson's gear

- 27 Partner of dangerous  
29 Albany-to-Buffalo waterway  
30 Louvre item  
31 Tee off  
32 Penetrate  
33 Hotel lobby  
35 Paramedic, briefly  
37 Hotshot  
39 Torah authority  
40 One-million link  
41 Daughter of Juan Carlos  
46 Author of 1 Down  
47 "I know not what course \_\_\_\_ may take . . ."  
48 Pine leaf  
50 Serengeti scavenger  
52 Seatbelt  
53 Money drawer  
54 Mitch Miller's instrument  
55 Greenpeace target, for short  
56 Victim of the Bolsheviks  
57 Fourth dimension  
58 Mid-month, to Caesar  
59 Copper coin  
60 Schoolyard game

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## ■ ARTS CALENDAR (cont.)

Ken Whiteley, Dennis Stroughmatt, Yves Lambert and more; plus workshops and jam sessions. June 26-28, Altamont Fairgrounds, Route 146, Altamont. Information: 765-2815 or festival.oldsongs.org.

### Andy Baker

Performing acoustic covers from yesterday and today. June 26, 7 p.m., 16 Handles, 380 Route 9W, Glenmont. Free. Information: 433-1616.

### Rocks and Water

Acoustic guitar and violin duo. June 26, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany. Free. Information: 512-5100 or www.ebalbany.com.

### Chris Botti

Trumpet player comfortable performing jazz and pop. June 26, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Tickets: \$59.50-\$79.50. Information: 473-1845 or www.theegg.org.

### Snook Brothers

Roots rock band headlines fireworks night. June 26, 8 p.m., Freedom Park, Schonowee Avenue next to Jumpin' Jacks, Scotia. Free. Information: www.FreedomParkScotia.org.

### Voodoo Orchestra

Jazz band led by legendary drummer Bobby Previte explores the music of Miles Davis. June 26, 9 p.m., Club Helsinki, 405 Columbia St., Hudson. Information: 828-4800 or helsinkiHUDSON.com.

### Joe Gorman

Singer-songwriter. June 27, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany. Free.



## Rock opera enters final week

Mac-Haydn Theatre in Chatham continues its performances of "Rent" through June 28 (see Page 12 for more details). For more information, call 392-9292 or visit [www.machaydntheatre.org](http://www.machaydntheatre.org).

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Information: 512-5100 or [www.ebalbany.com](http://www.ebalbany.com).

### Garland Jeffreys & Band

Influential singer-songwriter. June 27, 8 p.m., WAMC's Linda Norris Performing Arts Studio, 339 Central Ave., Albany. Tickets: \$18. Information: 465-5233, ext. 158 or thelinda.org.

### Clifton Park Community Chorus

Opening the Performing Arts at the Common series. June 28, 7 p.m., Clifton Common, Vischer Ferry Road, Clifton Park. Free. Information: 371-6667 or [www.cliftonpark.org](http://www.cliftonpark.org).

### The Crowd Pleasers

Performing country and folk songs. June 28, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany. Free. Information: 512-5100 or [www.ebalbany.com](http://www.ebalbany.com).

### Novalima

Peruvian dance band opens Music Haven concert series, with special guests GX3+. June 28, 7 p.m., Agnes Macdonald Music Haven Stage, Central Park, Schenectady. Free. Information: [www.musichavenstage.org](http://www.musichavenstage.org).

### The Legendary Characters

Music of the 1950s and 1960s. June 28, 7 p.m., Freedom

Park, Schonowee Avenue next to Jumpin' Jacks, Scotia. Free. Information: [www.FreedomParkScotia.org](http://www.FreedomParkScotia.org).

### The Wiyos

Old-time folk, blues and swing band performs at Made in the Shade of the Egg concert series. July 1, noon, Empire State Plaza outdoor concourse (next to The Egg), Albany. Free. Information: 473-1845.

### Almost Queen

Covering the songs of one of Great Britain's biggest rock bands of the 1970s and 1980s, with opening act Yellowdog. July 1, 5 p.m., Along the Riverfront, downtown Troy. Free.

Information: 279-7997 or [www.downtowntroy.org](http://www.downtowntroy.org).

### Scotia Glenville Pipe Band

World-renowned pipe and drum band. July 1, 7 p.m., Freedom Park, Schonowee Avenue next to Jumpin' Jacks, Scotia. Free. Information: [www.FreedomParkScotia.org](http://www.FreedomParkScotia.org).

### Peg Delaney Trio

Performing as part of the Jazz on Jay concert series. July 2, noon, Jay Street Arcade, Schenectady. Free.

### Bluz House Rockers

Classic rock and roll band kicks off Vellano Corporation Summer Concert Series. July 2, 6:30 p.m., The Crossings, 580 Albany-Shaker Road, Colonie. Information: 456-2136.

## COMEDY

### Unitard

Acclaimed comedy trio performs its "House of Tards" show. June 27, 8 p.m., Stageworks/Hudson, 41 Cross St., Hudson. Tickets: \$20. Information: 822-9667 or [www.stageworkshudson.org](http://www.stageworkshudson.org).

## DANCE

### Single Squares of Albany

Modern western square dancing featuring caller Ken Ritucci. July 1, 7:30 p.m., Colonie Elks Club, Watervliet-Shaker Road, Latham. Cost: \$6. Information: 674-2076.

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## MORE ONLINE

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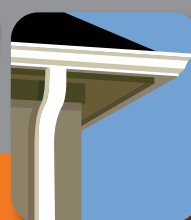
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## ARTS CALENDAR (cont.)

### LITERARY

#### Bill Howard

Local military historian talks about and signs copies of his new book, "What the RAF Airman Took to War." June 25, 7 p.m., The Book House of Stuyvesant Plaza, 1475 Western Ave., Albany. Information: 489-4761 or www.bhny.com.

### EXHIBITS

#### Albany Institute of History and Art

"Triple Play: Baseball at the Albany Institute," featuring three exhibits about America's pastime and the sport's connection to the Capital District, through July 26; plus "Ancient Egyptian Galleries" and "The Hudson River School and the Nineteenth-Century Landscape." 125 Washington Ave., Albany. Information: 463-4478 or albanymuseum.org.

#### Esther Massry Gallery

"Two Painters + One Sculptor: The Karene Faul Alumni Art Exhibition," featuring works by College of Saint Rose alumni Ginny Casey, Steve Pearson and Patrick Cuffe. June 5 through July 31 and Sept. 4-20, Massry Center for the Arts, 1002 Madison Ave., Albany. Information: 485-3902.

#### Mabee Farm Historic Site

"Visualizing the Lexicon of a Loving Hand," featuring works by Brennan Goodwin and Jackie Zysk. 1100 Main St., Rotterdam Junction. Information: 887-5073 or schenectadyhistorical.org.

#### miSci

"Making Sense of Sound," a hands-on exhibit from San Francisco's Exploratorium, through June; plus "Earth Exposed: Discover Our Planet's Hidden Secrets." Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Information: 382-7890 or www.miSci.org.

#### National Museum of Dance

"125 Years of Tango — A Walk through the History of the Dance," featuring costumes, music, artifacts, rare film footage and historical materials of the origins of this famous dance. Through March 2016. 99 South Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information: 584-2225 or www.dancemuseum.org.

#### New York State Museum

"Binghamton University Paleobotany Collection" and "The Passenger Pigeon: From Billions to Zero." Empire State Plaza, 222 Madison Ave., Albany. Information: 474-5877 or www.nysm.nysed.gov.

#### Saratoga Auto Museum

Dino Petrocelli exhibit featuring the work of the highly-regarded automotive photographer. Through June. 110 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Spa State Park, Saratoga Springs. Information: saratogaautomuseum.org.

#### Saratoga Springs History Museum

"Mapping A City: Saratoga Springs as Seen Through 250 Years of Maps," through Dec. 31. Canfield Casino, Congress Park, Saratoga Springs. Information: 584-6920 or www.saratogahistory.org.

#### Sorelle Gallery

"New Works by Ronald Tinney," through July 2. Stuyvesant Plaza, 1475 Western Ave., Albany. Information: 482-2000 or www.sorellegallery.com.

#### Spring Street Gallery

"Saratoga Springs: Magic and Loss," featuring photographs by journalist Thomas Dimopoulos. 112 Spring St., Saratoga Springs. Information: www.springstreetgalleriesaratoga.org.

#### Tang Teaching Museum

"Nicholas Kruschenick: Electric Soup," through Aug. 16. Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs. Information: 580-8080 or www.skidmore.edu/tang.

#### University Art Museum

"2015 Artists of the Mohawk Hudson Region," July 9 through Sept. 5.

University at Albany uptown campus, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany. Information: 442-4035 or www.albany.edu/museum.

#### Valley Artisans Market

Works by mixed media artist Diane Kotlow Segal are on display in the "Small Gallery" through June 29. 25 East Main St., Cambridge. Exhibit hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

#### Waterford Historical Museum

"The Best of the Waterford Museum," a recap of exhibits from the past 10 years. 2 Museum Lane, Waterford. Information: 238-0809 or www.waterfordmuseum.com.

### CALL FOR ARTISTS

#### Saratoga Arts

Seeking artists for its Art in the Park shows July 18 and Sept. 19, as well as its "10x10=100" summer exhibition Aug. 1 through Sept. 26. Information: Elizabeth Dubben, 584-4132 or edubben@saratoga-arts.org.

#### Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys

Seeking boys ages 8-14 with unchanged voices to audition by appointment. No previous musical experience is required. New singers receive training during the summer months in the areas of sight reading, vocal production and singing in foreign languages. The Cathedral of All Saints, 62 South Swan St., Albany. Information: contact Woodrow Bynum, 423-6779.

#### New York State Summer Writers Institute

Accepting applications for its programs June 29-July 10 and July 13-24 at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs. Students may attend a two-week session or the entire four-week session. Information: Christine Merrill, 580-5593.

#### North Country Music Awards

Seeking nominations for top male and female singers, best country band, best musician, best songwriter, song of the year, radio personality of the year and lifetime achievement awards through July 10. Send nominations to NCMA Awards, c/o Big House Entertainment Group, Inc., P.O. Box 118, South Bethlehem 12161, on the NCMA's Facebook page or by email at bighouseinc@aol.com.

#### Nacre's Modern Dance Camp

Offering a one- and/or two-week program with professional training for area dancers ages 13 and up. July 27-31 and Aug. 3-7. Tuition: \$400 for one week, \$700 for both weeks. Applications can be found at www.nacredance.com. Information: 817-3833.

#### Delmar Community Orchestra

Openings in the string, horn and percussion sections. Information, 813-4299 or e-mail delmarcommunityorchestra@gmail.com.

## SUDOKU

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#### Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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## ARTS

# Grumpy old soldiers

The Uncivil War: A Bluegrass musical comedy on The Civil War

**GLENS FALLS**  
— Adirondack Theatre Festival (ATF) continues its 21<sup>st</sup> summer season with its production of “The Uncivil War”, a show being developed in Glens Falls for an anticipated New York City run.

Performances will be held at the Charles R. Wood Theater at 207 Glen Street in downtown Glens Falls from Thursday, July 9, to Saturday, July 18, at 7:30 p.m.

There is a special matinee performance on Wednesday, July 15, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$32 and \$45 and are available at the Wood Theater Box Office, online at [ATFestival.org](http://ATFestival.org), or by calling (518) 480-4878. Discount season flex passes are available for the full seven show line-up.

150 years after the final gunshot, “The Civil War”’s six lone survivors grab their banjos, washboards, and what’s left of their sanity to retell the story of the infamous conflict...as it really happened. Complete with singing, dancing,

outrageous humor and biting historical satire, “The Uncivil War” is a wild, bluegrass-fueled ride that re-examines one of the country’s darkest moments, and sheds a hilarious new light on the leaders we’ve long considered heroes.

The Uncivil War (formerly titled Bayonets of Angst) was originally developed at New York Music Theatre Festival (NYMF) where it won four NYMF Awards for Best Book, Best Ensemble and Outstanding Individual Performance (J. Robert Spencer and Brian Charles Rooney). The ATF production will feature an updated book and musical score as it prepares for an anticipated New York City run.

The show stars J. Robert Spencer, Tony Award nominee and original cast member of both “Jersey Boys” and “Next to Normal,” as Abraham Lincoln. He will be accompanied by an all-star cast with Ian Lowe (“Murder

for Two,” “Twelfth Night”), Brian Charles Rooney (Broadway’s “The Threepenny Opera” and “Camelot,” in Concert), Mitchell Jarvis (Broadway’s “Rock of Ages”), Michael Abbott, Jr. (“Mud,” “Shotgun Stories”), Antwayn Hopper (Broadway’s “Hair”), and Matt Stocke (Broadway’s “The Last Ship” and “Wicked”).

“The Uncivil War” is directed by Steve Bebout, associate director of “The Book of Mormon” (Broadway, tour), “Sister Act” (Broadway, Tour), and “Something Rotten” (Broadway), and choreographed by Chris Bailey, associate choreographer of Broadway’s “Evita” and “How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying.” The show’s music supervisor is Brian Usifer, who served as the music director on Broadway’s “Kinky Boots” and associate music supervisor for Broadway’s “The Book of Mormon.”

The design team is: Chris Rhoton (Set), Scott O’Brien (Sound), Shane Cinal (Props), Zach Blane (Lights), and David Kaley (Costumes).

Adirondack Theatre Festival was founded in 1994, as a non-profit, professional theatre. Each summer ATF produces a season of theatre for an audience of both locals and tourists (6,500-7,000) using professional artists from New York City and across the country. ATF operates under a Small Professional Theatre Agreement with Actors’ Equity Association. ATF is the only professional summer theatre in the Capital District, Saratoga and Adirondack regions of upstate New York solely committed to producing new and contemporary works of theatre. Its 21<sup>st</sup> season is comprised entirely of new works.

— Adirondack Theatre Festival

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### Earth’s secrets exposed

water is supported over a long, thin tube which runs down to a glass chamber filled with heated water. As the water in the chamber begins to boil, air and water are shot up into the air. Cool water drains back down the pipe filling the chamber, and the cycle begins again.

\* Create your own sand dunes at Aeolian Landscape. You can change the direction of the air currents, and watch how the shape of the miniature dunes influences the pattern of the wind, which in turn influences the shape of the dunes. Geologists use the term “aeolian” to refer to land formations that are caused by wind. Sand dunes and snowdrifts are two common examples

\* Explore a beautiful sand and water mixtures

at Springbox. As water percolates up through a bed of sand, the ground becomes much more unsteady than it appears.

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In conjunction with the new exhibit, miSci

is also offering an expanded schedule of new planetarium shows, highlighted by Earth’s Wild Ride, which lets visitors explore Earth as they’ve never done before! In this immersive show, visitors will discover crashing asteroids, erupting volcanoes, roaring dinosaurs, electrifying lightning and booming thunder. They’ll also see eclipses, the ice age, Earth’s water cycle and the differences between the Earth and Moon on a roller-coaster-like ride through canyons of raging rivers and hot flowing lava. Earth’s Wild Ride is offered at 12 p.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday and at 4 p.m. Sunday.

In 2012, miSci entered into a partnership program with the San Francisco-based Exploratorium’s ExNET (Exploratorium Network for Exhibit-Based Teaching) program, miSci receives a different

group of hands-on, exploratory-rich exhibits each year for five years, as well as access to the Exploratorium resources to advance each partner’s work in specific areas such as education, inquiry, science engagement, and exhibit development. The Suits-Bueche Planetarium at miSci houses the only GOTO Star Projector in the northeast and is an official NASA Space Place.

miSci is located at 15 Nott Terrace Heights in Schenectady. Admission is: Children (3-12) \$6.50; Seniors (65+) \$8; Adults \$9.50. Add \$5 for a planetarium show. General admission includes admission to all exhibits including Earth Exposed: Discover Our Planet’s Hidden Secrets, demos and Science Zone activities.

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

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**Cheers!**

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**Ingredients:**

1 block of ice	1 750ml bottle of brandy	juice of 24 lemons
1 750ml bottle chilled champagne or white sparkling wine	3 750 bottles dry red wine	2 pounds of sugar
	500ml (1 pint) strong black tea chilled	lemon slices

In a large punch bowl dissolve the sugar in the lemon juice. Add the chilled tea and the block of ice. Pour in the red wine and the brandy, chill thoroughly. Immediately before serving, add the champagne. Serve in wine goblets and garnish with lemon slices.

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## Clean Strawberry Short Cake

### Recipe: (Serves four)

2-3 cups fresh strawberries, washed and hulled

### For the biscuits:

1 can Garbanzo beans, drained

2 eggs, room temperature

1/2 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon vanilla

1/4 cup sugar or 20 drops of Stevia

2 tablespoons coconut oil

1/3 cup shredded unsweetened coconut

Almond milk or coconut milk as needed for thinning

### For whipped cream:

1 can coconut milk, chilled in the refrigerator several hours or overnight.

### Instructions:

With a fork or potato masher, macerate the strawberries until they're chunky and a little liquidy. Set aside.

Preheat oven to 350. Combine all biscuit ingredients in a food processor or Vitamix and blend until smooth. The consistency should be slightly thinner than cake batter, so add almond milk if needed. Spray a square brownie pan with cooking spray and pour batter into pan. Bake 25 minutes and do a toothpick test in the center. If it comes out clean, remove from oven. Otherwise bake another five to 10 minutes.

While biscuits are cooling, open coconut milk. The fat will have risen to the top. Scoop it out into a small mixing bowl and set water aside. Whip with an electric beater until fluffy (about 2 minutes). Cut biscuits into squares and top with strawberries and cream.

## From page B1 ...

## Dancing with the stars

In addition to incorporating science within the body of her work, Armitage has the reputation for performing at less conventional venues, such as in March, when her dance company, Armitage Gone! performed "On the Nature of Things" at the American Museum of

Natural History in New York City. There, under the suspended replica of a Blue Whale in Milstein Hall, her troupe premiered a choreographed piece based off Dr. Paul Ehrlich's writings on climate change.

Armitage is poised to do the same, with plans to perform "Dido and Aeneas" outdoors for Opera Saratoga next month. It will be the premier of the company's first Baroque opera when it opens on Monday, July 6, in front of the National Museum of Dance.

Armitage, a recipient of France's prestigious Commandeur de l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres, often "paints" with contemporary styles of dance, music and art to engage in the philosophical.

"All choreography for me involves two things: one is empathetic and one is analytical," said Armitage. If that's not left-brained enough for you, she signs each of her e-mails with a quote from Voltaire, "Men

argue; Nature acts." Yes, Voltaire was a writer, and therefore right-brained, but is known, too, for his own broad range of interests that included religion, politics and science. "The movement reflects the state of mind of the production where empathy comes in. This, in turn, is translated into a movement vocabulary that changes from piece to piece while still partaking of the basic principles that have become my signature. Just as a writer or painter addresses different subjects, you recognize a particular person's point of view in their work. Dance is the same – it is writing, or painting, on the air."

"Dido and Aeneas" was written by 17th-century English composer, Henry Purcell, a tragedy depicting the love between the opera's namesakes — Dido, the Queen of Carthage, and Aeneas, the Trojan hero, originally depicted by Virgil in "Aeneid."

Mezzo Soprano Jennifer Johnson Cano is to play the role of Dido. Cano is a 2012 Richard Tucker Career Grant and George London Winner and joined The Lindemann Young Artist

Development Program at The Metropolitan Opera in 2008. She ultimately made her Met debut in its 2009-2010 season. As winner of the 2009 Young Concert Artist International Auditions, she has given recital debuts in New York's Carnegie Hall, in Washington, DC's Kennedy Center, in Boston's Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum and in Philadelphia's Kimmel Center.

Competing with three-hundred years' worth of various interpretations, Armitage said she looks forward to addressing the "universal topic" of love, complete with the vulnerability, fears and joys associated with it. "I hope to have enough rehearsal time to make all of their movement correspond beautifully to the music while using an understated, stylized, pedestrian form of gesture; a form of gestures that is not at all naturalistic in the way an actor would be expressive, but one that is more ritualistic and stylized so as to feel as both ancient and modern."

Assisting Armitage with achieving this feel

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### RECIPE



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## From page B16 ...

### Dancing with the stars

is none other than Peter Speliopoulos, creative director of Donna Karan New York. A 30-year veteran of design, Speliopoulos is known as Karan's No. 2 in one of the largest fashion houses in the United States. However, "Dido" will be just one of several productions in which he has paired with Armitage since the two worked together in Greece in the summer of 2000, when he designed costumes for the Athens Opera production of "The Birds" by Aristophanes.

"Karole is certainly one of the most uniquely talented and brilliant of talents," said Speliopoulos. "She is an intellectual and yet a very sensitive individual who is interested in the psychology of things, and understands the forces of nature. ... Karole searches deep for the meaning of everything, and on such a broad level. Needless to say, I have learned a tremendous amount, which has informed my life and work as a designer."

Speliopoulos describes his nearly 20-year long friendship with Armitage as "gratifying" as they both share interests in art, music, history and literature.

"This makes working together very natural, always for me, incredibly stimulating," he said.

Speliopoulos' eye for aesthetics helps meld the two worlds of fashion and dance together. "The fabric: how it moves on the body, color, how it reflects emotion, proportions that are flattering and appropriate," are the

common threads between what consumers buy from the fashion label and what performers wear on stage. But, as he prepares to design, that's where the commonality ends. "How things appear on stage is different from what makes them modern as fashion, in terms say, of make, how they are finished. ... Costumes require a real focus on dramatic impact. Dance requires, for me, that the body looks great, that even with the violence of extreme movement, the dancer is confident in the costume. Ultimately, we all seek looking great."

The music for "Dido" is in the hands of Artistic Director and Conductor Nicole Paiement of Opera Parallèle in San Francisco. In recent years she has conducted the works of Lou Harrison's "Young Caesar," and the commissioned chamber version of John Harbison's "The Great Gatsby." Paiement studied Baroque music while pursuing a doctorate degree at the Eastman School of music.

Tying together the contemporary with an opera three centuries old all comes back to the choreographer named the "punk ballerina," for her Billy Idol like hair-do and love for the anti-establishment music.

"An artist's job is to express their times in an original way," said Armitage. "The complexity of human experience means having curiosity about many things and bringing them to the stage. The audience enjoys recognizing the world they live in and participating in [and] thinking about

"Dido and Aeneas" will be under the direction of celebrated choreographer Karole Armitage (above), and San Francisco music conductor Nicole Paiement (immediate right). Jennifer Johnson Cano (far right) will star as Dido, Queen of Carthage.

Photos submitted

it through their own experience. Art with ambiguity and complexity seems to me to be the best kind of entertainment. Being told what to think and feel seems very dull. An artist's job is not to recreate the past and imitate past eras. It is to feel and translate their times into a very concise experience thus offering the audience a chance to feel by using their own experience, intelligence, empathy and sensibility.

That means theoretical physics; punk and the classics are all a part of the picture."



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## Library program honored

ALBANY — Albany Public Library (APL) received the 2014 Upper Hudson Library System Adult Program of the Year Award for the "Albany History Race" program at a ceremony on June 10.

APL is the largest library

in the system that includes 29 public libraries in Albany and Rensselaer counties.

"Albany History Race" was a one-day team competition involving quick visits to many historic buildings and sites in the city of Albany that took place last November. The goal of the program was to introduce people to the library's local history

collection in a fun and social way, by joining a scavenger hunt with the popular television show "The Amazing Race."

"Local History Librarian Jim Davies combined an old-fashioned scavenger hunt with intriguing pieces of history into an entertaining and immersive program for adults," said APL Executive Director Scott

Jarzombek. "The 'Albany History Race' not only led participants to many noteworthy sites around Albany, but it also utilized dozens of historic photographs, maps, and books from the library's collection. The very modern addition of live event coverage on the library's social media platforms, provided by eLibrarian Deanna DiCarlo,

brought the program into the hands of those watching from the sidelines."

The second annual "Albany History Race" is set for Saturday, Sept. 26, and will feature a dozen new historic locations. For more information, please email [localhistory@albanypubliclibrary.org](mailto:localhistory@albanypubliclibrary.org).

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## Weekly poll

Will the Tri-City ValleyCats  
make the New York-  
Penn League playoffs?



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"Sports" to cast your vote, as well as see  
results of previous poll questions.

### DUTCHMEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK



Zach Remillard was named  
the Albany Dutchmen's  
Spotlight Player of the Week  
for the period ending June  
21. The Latham native hit  
safely in five of his seven  
starts and recorded three  
multi-hit games.

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### INSIDE



### Home cooking

The Albany Dutchmen  
used a season-high four  
extra-base hits to defeat  
Mohawk Valley 7-2 Friday,  
June 19, at Bob Bellizzi  
Field.

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### BASEBALL

## Crossing paths



Dutchmen play  
ValleyCats in exhibition

By **ROB JONAS**

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**TROY** — For years, the  
Albany Dutchmen and Tri-City  
ValleyCats have co-existed in the  
Capital District summer baseball  
world without meeting each other  
on the field.

Their paths finally crossed  
Wednesday, June 17, at Joe Bruno  
Stadium.

In front of more than 4,200  
fans — more than half of whom  
were children on school-sanctioned  
trips — the ValleyCats from the  
New York-Penn League played  
against the Dutchmen from the  
Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball  
League. And though the ValleyCats  
prevailed 6-3, the amateur-level  
Dutchmen gave their professional  
counterparts a competitive game.

"It was definitely a confidence  
booster for a lot of guys to get out  
there and face some top pitchers,  
and get some hits," said Albany  
designated hitter Zach Remillard.

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**TOP:** Albany's Michael Fitzsimmons throws on to first base  
after stepping on third to get a Tri-City baserunner out dur-  
ing a June 17 exhibition game at Joe Bruno Stadium.

**LEFT:** Albany's Eric Mueller makes contact.

**BELOW:** Albany mascot Benny meets the fans.

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## Crossing paths

"It was quite an experience. It's not every day you get to play against guys who were drafted (by Major League Baseball teams)," said outfielder Eric Mueller.

The Dutchmen startled everybody with a strong start. The first pitch of the game hit Grayson Lewis, and Hunter Boose followed with a home run into the ValleyCats bullpen in left field to give Albany a quick 2-0 lead.

Even Boose was surprised by the home run.

"I thought it was going to be a double because that's what I usually do," said Boose.

The lead held until the bottom of the fourth inning when Tri-City mounted a rally off Albany starting pitcher Gavin Wallace. The ValleyCats belted four consecutive hits, including Johnny Sewald's RBI single, to tie the score. Drew Ferguson's sacrifice fly put Tri-City ahead 3-2.

The ValleyCats added single runs in the fifth, seventh and eighth innings to increase their

lead to four runs. Mike Bollmer doubled and scored in the top of the ninth to close the gap to 6-3 for Albany.

Hits were difficult to come by for Albany after Boose's homer. The Dutchmen managed five hits on the day, three of which were singles, as Albany hitters tried to figure out what Tri-City pitchers were throwing.

"Some guys were hiding the ball on me," said Mueller, a Bethlehem Central High School graduate who had one of Albany's five hits. "The breaking balls were probably the biggest difference (from college pitchers)."

Hits and runs were secondary to Albany's primary goals: give Tri-City a competitive game and do so without any injuries. On those two fronts, the Dutchmen achieved what they wanted. And the Dutchmen got to see what it can be like at professional baseball's entry level.

"This is awesome. I understand this could be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity," said Boose.

## ■ ALBANY DUTCHMEN

## Bats come alive at home

Albany belts three triples in victory over Mohawk Valley

By **ROB JONAS**  
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**ALBANY** — A rare show of power helped the Albany Dutchmen complete a home-and-home sweep of Mohawk Valley.

The Dutchmen registered four extra-base hits as part of a 10-hit night in a 7-2 victory over the DiamondDawgs Friday, June 19, in a Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League contest at Bob Bellizzi Field.

Latham native Zach Remillard led the way for Albany (8-8) with four hits and three RBI, and starting pitcher Mike Reitcheck tossed seven strong innings to pick up his second win in as many starts.

"Tonight was probably the most complete baseball game we've played all year," said Albany manager Nick Davey.

Adam Gauthier (Dartmouth) belted a one-out triple and scored on the first of Remillard's three singles to start the scoring in the bottom of the first inning. Sean Aspinall (Azusa Pacific) launched a lead-off triple in the third inning and scored Albany's second run on Patrick Hisle's groundout. Gauthier later scored on a fielder's choice to put the Dutchmen ahead 3-0.

Reitcheck (Penn) cruised through Mohawk Valley's lineup until the fifth inning, when the DiamondDawgs scored on a wild pitch. Mohawk Valley added a run in the top of the sixth and threatened to do more, but Reitcheck worked out of a bases-loaded jam to escape the inning with Albany ahead 3-2.

The Dutchmen extended their lead in the bottom of the sixth inning. Remillard — who beat out an infield single to start the frame — scored on Slayton Vaughan's sacrifice fly, and Aspinall added a two-run single to put Albany ahead 6-2.



Albany's Mike Reitcheck delivers to the plate during a Friday, June 19, home game against Mohawk Valley.

Rob Jonas/Spotlight

Remillard (Coastal Carolina) provided one more clutch hit for Albany. With one out and Eric Mueller (University at Albany) standing on first base, Remillard drilled an RBI triple to right field to make the score 7-2.

"It's funny. I looked at

our stats for the first time all year, and I noticed the lack of extra-base hits," said Davey.

Aspinall and Dominic DiCaprio each contributed a pair of hits for the Dutchmen, who defeated Mohawk Valley 4-2 one night earlier in Little Falls.

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## GOVERNMENT

# Resident input sought on zoning laws

Town of New Scotland seeks to change agricultural land to commercial

By **TRICIA CREMO**  
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**NEW SCOTLAND** — Conversion of agricultural land into commercial development land was the primary topic of discussion at a zoning advisory committee meeting last week.

The new zoning laws call for the expansion of mixed commercial development areas into agricultural zones and the creation of a town square at a location along Route 85 that would require the construction of a four-way intersection. Advisory meetings concerning these zoning changes began in

April. They are being held in preparation for the upcoming public forum in September, which the public is encouraged to attend.

"Land that's great farmland is usually great development land, and sadly that's usually the first to go," said Marian Hull, a project manager from AECOM, the company contracted to assist the town's zoning board through the rezoning process.

The most recent meeting was held on Tuesday, June 16.

While land preservation is the top priority in these discussions, the town sees the zoning updates as revisions that will attract businesses and tourists to the area. In

order to make these changes, a public hearing must be held before the zoning laws are approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals

"It's important to get community members on board" said Paul Kelly, zoning board advisory committee member. "Ideally, we'd want the community to be happy with the trade off."

The Zoning Board is prepared for zoning revisions to be met with some reluctance from the public. As Kelly described, "The people that live in New Scotland live here because they want a smaller, homier feel. During the public forum you will see people saying that they don't want commercial development."

Concerns over preservation of agricultural

*"Land that's great farmland is usually great development land, and that's sadly the first to go."*

— Marian Hall  
Project manager  
from AECOM

land are nothing new to the Town of New Scotland. In 2008, plans to build a Target in the town eventually failed when changes to zoning laws were met with considerable objection from the public. At that time the need for new zoning laws became apparent.

Since 2011, the Zoning Board has worked through a grant from the Capital

District Transportation Committee (CDTC) Linkage Program to improve the area's zoning. Building Inspector Jeremy Cramer says the laws haven't seen major changes in more than 20 years.

With these zoning changes come additional concerns, the town's lack of an independent water and sewage system being the top among those. Because the Town of New Scotland contracts all of its water from the Town of Bethlehem and this contract is currently at capacity, either businesses would have to create their own sewage and water systems as Target had planned to do, or more likely, renegotiations of the Bethlehem contract would need to be made.

However, these renegotiations are sure to come with a high price tag. Hall promised that

zoning changes would not alter current housing zones. Zoning changes would primarily adjust developmental standards in the proposed commercial development zones to allow for the creation of bigger, taller buildings.

There is potential, as some public attendees voiced, for zoning changes to create lanes for bike travel and to create tax incentives for businesses that use eco-friendly practices. The public may attend the final advisory meeting, which will be held on an as-yet unscheduled date in August before September's public forum.

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The resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, was adopted on the 17th day of June, 2015 and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Bethlehem Central School District, Bethlehem, New York is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of the law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Brittany Barrett  
District Clerk

The following is a summary of said resolution:

1. The title of the resolution is: “BOND RESOLUTION DATED JUNE 17, 2015 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (1) AUTHORIZING NOT TO EXCEED \$1,027,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SERIAL GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION OF SCHOOL VEHICLES AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$1,027,000, LEVY OF TAX IN ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS IN PAYMENT THEREOF, THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH SUM FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH AND (2) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN INSTALLMENT PURCHASE CONTRACT AS AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF FINANCING SAID ACQUISITION.

2. The resolution, among other things, authorized the Bethlehem Central School District, Bethlehem, New York (the “School District”) to acquire certain school vehicles (the “Purpose”) as such vehicles were generally described in the resolution and as they were generally outlined to and considered by the voters of the School District at the School District meeting duly held on May 19, 2015.

3. The estimated maximum cost of the Purpose is not to exceed \$1,027,000. The resolution authorized the issuance of bonds and bond anticipation notes of the District in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$1,027,000 pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-A of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (the “Law”).

4. The period of probable usefulness of the specific objects or purposes for which the bonds authorized by the resolution are authorized to be issued is five (5) years, within the limitation of Section 11.00(a)(29) of the Law.

5. The resolution also authorized the School District to finance the Purpose by entering into an installment purchase contract as defined in Section 109-b of the General Municipal Law.

6. The resolution summarized hereby is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the School District Business Office located at 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054.  
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# From page 1 ... 125 years and counting

The club held a historical-themed members-only tournament on Sunday, May 31, and a Guest Day on Thursday, June 18 to celebrate this achievement.

In its century and a quarter lifetime, the Albany Country Club has stood witness to decades of Capital District history. Local historical figures, like Howard Van Rensselaer and John Boyd Thacher, once golfed the club's original course. One man who trained on the course, Tom Creavy, went on to win the 1931 PGA Championship, while two

female golfers training on the course participated in the first National Women's Golf Championship in 1895.

In addition to its historical significance, the Albany Country Club is also one of the largest landholders and biggest taxpayers in the county, making the club a huge financial presence in the area. At a time where each year sees more golf courses closing nationally, and in years past local country clubs, such as the Normanside Country Club, have considered closing their doors, the

longstanding presence of the Albany Country Club is indeed an occasion to be celebrated.

Though William Aperance, General Manager at the Albany Country Club, admits the club has "had to reduce prices like every club has." He sees the Albany Country Club's future as a positive one. "Members are coming back - we're optimistic."

Throughout its long history, the club has influenced generations of greater Capital District residents. Many a local can remember summers spent swimming at the country club's pool, while mom may have met up with friends and dad hit the tee.

In order to continue to hold onto its community presence, the club is now focusing on getting the next generation of Capital District residents interested in the club's services.

"We've spent the great majority of the last 50 years promoting the game of golf and other outdoor family sports" said Aperance, suggesting that he sees maintaining interest in golf in the area as being the key to maintaining interest in the club.

When asked why he thought the newer generation has seen dwindling interest in golf, Aperance pointed to the Capital District's high saturation of golf courses.

"Everyone is aware that there are too many clubs in area said Aperance in reference to the eight country clubs that the Capital area hosts, "But even in these hard times we continue to offer the same amenities we have always offered."

The factor characterizing those services offered by the Albany Country Club is tradition.

The club keeps tennis courts, hosts multiple golf leagues, a summer swim league and ladies and mixed bowling leagues- all features typical of the classic country club. Even social clubs like bridge and mahjong that were popular in the 1920s and 30s still meet bi-weekly.

Clearly, maintaining their traditions has been a priority for the Albany Country Club.

As the Albany Country Club has now been operating for more than a century, club officials said using the same practices that it always has seems like a fitting business plan. Rather than becoming a public golf course as so many other golf courses have done, the Albany Country Club chooses to honor its history by remaining a private club.

With the historical traditions of the club in mind, Aperance says the club is now looking forward to 125 more years of service.

Founded in 1890 as The Albany Hunt and Country Club in the Sand Plains of where University of Albany now stands, the Albany Country Club has endured 125 years and earned a storied legacy in the process.

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## ■ FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

# Something old is new again

The symbolism behind having vendors lined along the length of the Albany County-Helderberg Hudson Rail Trail may not have been nearly as clear to those attending as it was an ingenious idea this past Saturday.

State Assemblywoman Patricia Fahy and County Executive Dan McCoy sat along with town supervisors John Clarkson and Tom Dolin of Bethlehem and New Scotland, respectively, for the annual Summer Solstice Celebration. The rail trail has been a grassroots effort to reclaim the old D&H Railroad that once tied communities together. How the old rail would supply rural towns with goods and supplies, and for a time served as a mode of transportation to the City of Albany and beyond. And, as time passed, helped those communities grow more expansive in size with additional businesses, and later residents. To think, when the Susquehanna Line was first established, railroad tycoons took to exploiting politics and later firearms to fight for its control. But, after nearly

a century of affordable cars and an infrastructure to support competitive means of transportation, the trains disappeared along with the caboose in 2003.

Saturday, politicians were not pitching their campaigns from the back the train. Instead, they praised the efforts of the Mohawk Land Conservancy. Instead of storefronts within walking distance of the local train station, area vendors lined themselves on the trail itself. For a few hours, the old rail in Voorheesville, Slingerlands and Delmar resembled a microcosm of the very villages and hamlets nearby. And, in case you were not aware of the importance the rail once was to our towns, old pictures of trains long gone were on display by the Bethlehem Historical Society.

Many may not see the overall benefit of a bike or pedestrian trail, and say it stands to provide more of a nuisance to those who own homes along it. But, seriously, such inconveniences won't be any more likely than that of the sidewalks that run

in front of most of those homes already. Once completed, the rail trail is going to serve as a fine feature for our towns.

As our suburbs continue to explode with more residents, and more traffic, local bicyclists should have a place to ride safely. Mind you, it's also a fine place for pedestrians to enjoy a scenic, nearly lost vantage point of where we call home. Not to mention, the prospect of riding a bicycle from the Town of New Scotland, to Albany, north on to Watervliet and Schenectady beyond that, is mind boggling. It will be possible, logistically, if not physically by those of us employed to sit and write behind a desk all day. As scores of people flocked to the festival on Saturday, it's quite evident the trail will become a tourist attraction, of sort – as proven by the bicyclist from Guelderland, and the vendors from Colonie, Waterford and beyond. Anything that promotes a healthier style of living, with the potential of strengthening the bonds of our communities, is something worthwhile.

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## ■ GET TO KNOW ...



**Joe Bruno  
Barber**

*Residence: South Bethlehem  
Hometown: Delmar*

**What are you listening to these days?**  
I like country, modern country.

**What are you reading?**  
I'm reading mostly newspapers, just keeping up with current events.

**What are you watching on TV?**  
I like "The Voice" and Yankees baseball. Mostly in the summer, I just watch baseball.

**What was the last movie you saw and why?**  
The last movie I saw was "American Sniper." It was interesting and everyone was talking about it.

**One person living or dead you would like to meet and why?**

I would like to meet George Bush, Sr. He's just a down to earth guy.

**Describe your dream vacation.**  
Hawaii – I've been there and I'd love to go back there. It's beautiful. It's calm. It's nice water. The people are nice.

**What is your favorite hobby?**  
It's golf. I love golf, but I stink at it.

**Describe what your last meal would be?**  
My last meal would be meatloaf. I love meatloaf.

**What is your favorite local memory?**  
My favorite local memory is the Memorial Day Parade. It's a lot of fun.

**What has occupied your time recently?**  
Working has occupied a lot of my time. I enjoy working – I've been doing it for 30 years.

*"Get to Know" is a weekly feature where community members are asked questions that aren't necessarily related to their jobs. If you know of someone you think should be highlighted, email [news@spotlightnews.com](mailto:news@spotlightnews.com).*

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Leaders get it wrong

Editor, *The Spotlight*:  
There was a time, not all that long ago, when Albany County Democrats did pretty much what their party leaders told them to do. Whether out of loyalty, respect or fear, folks listened and primaries were a rare event. The days of machine style politics in Albany appear gone.

For evidence of this, consider the Democratic gubernatorial primary last year. The anti-corruption, Democratic challenger Zephra Teachout trounced Governor Cuomo in Albany County by a margin of 60.9 percent to 35.5 percent (3.6 percent other). In the Town of Bethlehem, Ms. Teachout's margin was even greater, where she received the support of 73 percent of Democratic primary voters compared to 27 percent for Governor Cuomo. Those are huge numbers for an underfunded candidate to receive running against an incumbent governor who enjoyed the endorsement of many Democratic elected officials in Albany County. Albany Mayor Kathy Sheehan, Albany County Executive Dan McCoy, Congressman Paul Tonko, each endorsed Cuomo.

The evident independence

of Albany Democrats might be very good news to Dan Egan, who is mounting a primary challenge against Albany County Executive Dan McCoy.

Political party structures tend to prefer discipline over dissent and the safety of a well-financed candidate. The Albany County Democratic Committee is no exception. It comes as little surprise that at meeting of the Albany County Democratic Committee in May the committee unanimously supported the cash-rich-record-poor incumbent Dan McCoy over a well-qualified and experienced leader in candidate Egan.

As an Albany County Legislator, McCoy voted in favor of the 2011 county legislature lines. Then as County Executive, McCoy played a key role in defending these legislative lines against a lawsuit brought against the County. In March 2015, U.S. District Court Judge Lawrence Kahn ruled that those district lines violated the 1965 Federal Voting Rights Act, siding with the plaintiffs that a fifth minority legislative district should have been established. That fifth

minority district has at long last been established, and recently approved by Judge Kahn.

Unlike party leaders, Albany County Democratic voters, and perhaps some of his former colleagues in the County Legislature, may be less likely to forget or forgive McCoy for the ridiculously drawn out and costly process to redraw county voting districts. And for putting county taxpayers on the hook for court fees, outside legal counsel and the re-reimbursement of the plaintiff's legal expenses for this four-year legal battle the cost of which will likely exceed \$2 million.

I suspect, no amount of money that McCoy will throw at this race will get enough Democratic voters behind him to win this primary contest. This year, it will be *deja vu* all over again with Albany Democratic voters asserting their independence and voting for change, verses their party's choice.

Sean Raleigh  
Delmar

*Raleigh is a member of the Bethlehem Democratic Committee. The opinions expressed here are his alone.*

# Environment comes first

Editor, *The Spotlight*:  
Our Bethlehem community is a relatively small town with ever increasing challenges to address. Town Board member, Bill Reinhardt, is among those community members helping to educate and guide sound environmental decision-making, as with the proposed Kinder-Morgan gas pipeline that is planned to go through several towns surrounding and including Bethlehem.

Reinhardt's position on the Drinking Water Protection Law is commendable. In his letter in the May 27 *Spotlight*, he outlined the due diligence efforts he followed to ensure the law's areas of weakness were known. Most importantly, Reinhardt pointed out that the law only "discourages" the Kinder-Morgan pipeline. While he publicly supported the law, he made it clear he seeks more

comprehensive protections for our community and raised the question of whether a gas pipeline running past our homes, businesses and schools is what we even want. We all need to do the careful analysis exemplified by Reinhardt to ensure that our drinking water, the air we breathe, and the food we eat is safe.

Reinhardt's words speak clearly and he shows informed decision-making. But his actions even speak louder than his words. I credit Reinhardt for dedicating his retirement to supporting the development of energy efficiency and renewable energy alternatives by advocating for the soon-to-be built solar farm on town land which is projected to save the town approximately 5 million dollars in energy costs over the next 20 years; streamlining the residential solar permitting process in

the Town of Bethlehem; advocating for measures to prevent environmental and human disasters related to the oil trains that pass through communities throughout the county; and by co-founding and directing the non-profit Solarize Albany.

And, congrats to all community members who are following his lead by putting solar panels on your rooftops, adding native and bee-pollinating plants to your lawns, driving more efficient vehicles, and walking and biking around town to get errands done.

I turn to Reinhardt, and so should concerned community members, for guidance when making critical environmental decisions that will have lasting effect on our community.

Agnes Zellin  
Delmar

# Garden tour was a hit

Editor, *The Spotlight*:  
The 19th annual Bethlehem Garden Tour delighted those who came to see some lovely private garden in our town on the second Wednesday in June.

And thank you to the generous garden owners who shared their gardens for the enjoyment of over 340 visitors. The Bethlehem Garden Club and all who went on the tour are grateful for them: Paul Winkeller and Victoria Balkoski, Ed and Barbara Schreiber, Mary Ellen Weber, Lou and Lorraine DeBour, Ann and Tom Commolly, John and Judy Dearstynne.

Any event this size has a large group of supporters, many of them behind the scenes, who make the experience a positive one. We would like to thank: the Bethlehem Police and Highway Departments for advising on routing directions and providing traffic cones; Delmar Presbyterian Church for allowing us the use of their facilities;

Windsor Development Group for enabling ticket sales; John Guastella of "Our Town" for printing advance information; the Elk Sign Shop for printing our advertising and directional signs; and especially the women of the Bethlehem Garden Club (and their families) who put in long hours before, during, and after the event.

The Plant Sale, held at Delmar Presbyterian Church, provided outstanding perennial plants to enhance local gardens, plus advice from club members on their care and nurturing.

There were three winners in the Fine Gardening Raffle: Carol Furman was the winner of two hours of fine gardening by at least six members of the club. Susan Seymour won the gardener's gift basket and Pam Taft won a \$50 gift certificate to Price Greenleaf.

Many locally-owned restaurants gave a 15 percent or 10 percent discount to tour-goers who presented

their ticket booklet on the night of the event. Our thanks to Garden Bistro, Four Corners Luncheonette, Teahouse Asian Bistro, Milestone, Shalimar, 333 Cafe, Mercato's, Hidden Cafe, Tomo Asian Bistro, Shogun Sushi and Sake Bar, 16 Handles and Roux for allowing tour goers to continue their delightful evening.

The funds raised for the Garden Tour and Fine Gardening Raffle are returned to the community through public gardens, benches and trees around town. The Plant Sale profits are given to Bethlehem schools through our educational grant.

What a beautiful evening with something for all: gardens to view, plants to purchase, a chance to be a raffle winner and local dining at a discount. See you next year on Wednesday, June 8, 2016, for another fine evening.

Martha Kissinger  
President,  
Bethlehem Garden Club

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