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## Grease

Bethlehem Central High School gears up for a classic

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## TOP STORY

# Fixes to come in time

Water stagnation in pipes the big concern

By **TRICIA CREMO**

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**BETHLEHEM** — Water filtration fixes to address cancer-causing chemicals are set for a 2019 completion date.

Upgrades to the Clapper Road water treatment plant designed to address elevated rates of trihalomethane (THM), a chemical linked to cancer, were outlined by Department of Public Works (DPW) Commissioner George Kansas at the Wednesday, March 9, meeting of Town Board.

Only decades of prolonged exposure results in elevated health risks, explained Kansas, and the chemical poses no immediate health risks.

“Since 2013, the town has been in violation of DEC regulated limits on THM at various testing locations,” he

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◀ The conversation about Bethlehem’s water continued last week, with the town shedding more light on the extent of repairs needed to fix the issue.

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## SPOTLIGHT ON FINANCE

## Last minute tax considerations for small business owners

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**A**pril 15, 2016, is fast approaching. For small business owners, this means it's time to get your year-end finances in order, because even if you've failed to get out in front of your taxes over the past year, there are a number of things you can still do to reduce your tax burden.

For starters, simply filing your taxes accurately and on time can save you money by helping you avoid late payment penalties and other costly mistakes. This starts with being organized, so that your tax advisor or accountant can easily find the information they need.

If your current records look more like a stack of papers than carefully labeled and ordered file folders, then it's time to get to work. Separating your expenses into the following seven categories can help.

**1. Startup costs.** If you are a new company, it is important to understand your startup costs — what you can and can't claim for 2015. Of course you want to maximize your deduc-

tions, but doing it right the first time will save you in the long run. You should discuss this with your tax advisor or accountant to make sure you maximize these costs. This may mean spreading out deductions over time.

## 2. Home office deduction.

You can deduct the area of your home office that is exclusively and regularly used for business purposes. To determine the appropriate deduction, calculate the total square footage of your home divided by the square footage of your office. This percentage also applies to utility bills, insurance, mortgage and main-

tenance expenses. For those who want an easier formula, the IRS now allows a standard deduction option designed to make it easier for taxpayers to claim their home office. This option allows you to claim \$5 per square foot with a maximum size of 300 square feet.

**3. Mileage and travel expenses.** If hitting the highway and visiting clients is part of your job, don't forget to claim your mileage. There are two methods for doing this: standard and actual. The standard method for calculating mileage in 2015 is 57.5 cents per

business mile plus tolls and parking. The actual method is to add up all automobile expenses — including gas, repairs, oil change, car insurance and car washes — and then multiply it by your business percentage, which is determined by dividing your business miles by total miles for the year.

**4. Employee vs. independent contractor.** Hiring an independent contractor instead of an employee will save you on Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) taxes. Just make sure you don't misclassify employees. Familiarize yourself with the difference between the two in order to save yourself from tax trouble down the road. Have your independent contractor fill out a W-9 for your records.

**5. Depreciation deduction.** Consult with your tax advisor on newly purchased property and equipment for your business. You may qualify for a full write-off using the section 179 depreciation deduction. This allows you to deduct the entire amount of the purchase instead of increments of annual depreciation each year.

**6. Health insurance deductions or credits.** If you are self-employed you may be eligible to deduct your health and dental insurance premiums. If you are a small business employer you are eligible for the small business health

care credit if you employ fewer than 25 full-time equivalent employees; the average annual wages of your employees are less than \$50,000 (adjusted for inflation beginning in 2014); and you pay a uniform percentage for all employees that is equal to at least 50 percent of the premium cost of employee-only insurance coverage. Also, don't forget the Affordable Care Act. Small businesses need to make sure they are adhering to and complying with the ACA to avoid fines.

**7. Contribute to a retirement account.** Consider contributing to an IRA. You have until April 18, 2016, to make IRA contributions for 2015. However, the sooner you get your money into the account, the sooner it has the potential for tax-deferred growth. In

addition, making deductible contributions will reduce your taxable income for the year. You can contribute a maximum of \$5,500 to an IRA for 2015 or \$6,500 if you are 50 or older. If you are self-employed, you may have a Keogh plan. These plans need to be established before December 31 but contributions may still be made until the tax filing deadline for your 2015 return. The amount you can contribute depends on the type of Keogh plan you choose.

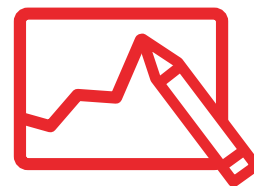
File on time and don't pay late. If you really find yourself struggling to get your return in by April 15, file for an extension. It is better to file an accurate return than one on time that is full of mistakes. However, the extension is an extension to file your return — not an extension to pay the tax.

Again, the best approach to minimizing your tax burden is to be organized and maintain an open channel of communication with your tax advisor or accountant, as well as your small business banker. It is far easier to plan ahead than play catch up. So think of April 15 not as a finish line. Instead, consider it the

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## Looking ahead:

## Tax tips for launching a small business

**A**re you getting ready to launch a small business? If so, you're likely feeling a combination of excitement and stress. Beyond developing your product and service, shaping your brand and figuring out how to bring it to market, you still have to deal with the "money" side of the business. For some, this is a major obstacle, but it doesn't have to be — provided you have a plan.

First and foremost, make sure you choose the proper business structure for your company. Many small businesses make the mistake of filing as a C Corporation, which leads to double taxation — the profit of the corporation is being taxed when earned and then again when the profit is distributed as dividends. Instead, look into a limited liability company (LLC) or an S corporation. Schedule a meeting with your attorney, tax advisor or business banker to discuss the different types of businesses and what would work best for yours.

Keep personal expenses separate from business expenses. This might sound obvious, but sole proprietors and small business owners often mix the two, which makes separating business expenses from personal expenses difficult and time consuming come tax time. The best

way to avoid this is to set up a separate business checking account for all business transactions, including income and expenses.

Consider investing in accounting software. Programs and phone applications such as FreshBooks, Quickbooks, Xero, and Avalara can help you track your income and expenses throughout the year, which will make year-end tax filing easier.

Prioritize budgeting and tax planning. Both tasks should be continuous throughout the year. Running monthly reports and regularly reviewing them with your financial advisor and business banker can help you identify opportunities to both limit your tax liability and grow your business.

Finally, look ahead. Consider deductions for a home office or employing your children; create a health reimbursement arrangement; and research retirement plans designed specifically for the self-employed, including an IRA, SIMPLE, SEP, Single 401(k), and Keogh plan.

These tips will help you position your business for success. And the more you focus on developing and executing your plan, the closer you'll get to your ultimate goal — developing an exit strategy for a business you have grown and loved on your terms.



## COMMUNITY

# Hilton Barn move delayed

By **TRICIA CREMO**

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**NEW SCOTLAND** — The move of the historic Hilton Barn at LeVie Farm has been delayed by at least one week.

"We ran into a couple snags but it will be moved by the end of the month," said Councilman Bill Hennessey during the Wednesday, March 9, Town Board meeting.

The board had planned to move the 100-year-old barn on March 15, but ran into a couple of unanticipated delays.

"There was much more structural wood in floors than expected and... we ran into a little asbestos problem," explained Hennessey, as reasons for the delay. A pile of asbestos-infested tiles from the country club laid inside the barn has been removed by the town with additional costs. The only delay now is from the Pennsylvania-based historical barn movers, who needed more time to plan for the move than the town expected.

"The project budget is marvelous right now," said Hennessey. The budget includes donations from Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy and the Voorheesville

Community and School foundation, which have each set up funds for the barn's move and eventual refurbishment. Each fund has raised over \$1,000, and is receiving additional donations every day.

While the barn was initially slated for demolition by developers, it is being relocated to a new site along the Albany County Rail Trail, across the street from its current location on Route 85A. There, it will be able to provide any number of uses.

"The project is running along very smoothly," said Hennessey, who not only said that costs are still under budget, but that additional funding from the state has likely been secured, on top of that secured from the county. March 21 through April 1 - a two week window - is the new time frame for the move. An exact date will be coming shortly, said the councilman. Residents should be aware that the portion of Route 85A between the barn's current and new locations will be closed for several hours during the move.

Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy purchased the land for the barn's future site from the two remaining Hilton heirs, George Kane and Jennifer Hilton. The purchase price of \$25,000 will be split

between them. Hilton has decided to donate her half of the sale proceeds - roughly \$13,000 - towards expenses for the barn's move.

National Grid, Verizon and Time Warner are aware of the time frame for the move, as each will have to move their lines in order to allow the barn to move across the street.

The town's highway department is also ahead of schedule, even with the added work of clearing the barn's new site, thanks to some assistance from Albany County.

With a \$50,000 grant already received from the county, the Town Board announced that the remaining \$125,000 grant from the state is "in its final phases" of approval. The supervisor will hear back in the next few months whether the grant will be received. If it is not, the town does have the money in its parks fund to pay the possible unfunded amount. Regardless, this fund - made up of developer fees and park use revenues - will be used: the state grant would allow the town to pay back the \$125,000 over decades, rather than all at once.

"This is like a six- to 12-month project that we've condensed into about three



**Councilman Bill Hennessey describes how the Hilton Barn will be moved during the March 9 Town Board Meeting.**

Tricia Cremo/Spotlight

months, and people are still asking us what the plans are for the future. We've had a lot of different people approach us with different scenarios and they could all work," said Town Supervisor Doug LaGrange.

Councilwoman Pat Snyder is currently setting up a committee to publicly discuss the best use for the barn. "I've been approached by a lot of people, a lot of organizations, so I've certainly been surprised," said Snyder, adding that other interested parties are welcome to contact her.

To be notified on a final move date for the barn: "Like us on Facebook - we're trying to keep people up to date there as best we can," said the supervisor.



**An aerial view of the recently installed solar panel array at the former clay mine in Selkirk.**

Photo provided by NextEra Energy Resources

## Solar panels will help town save millions

By **TRICIA CREMO**

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**BETHLEHEM**—Recently installed solar panels are expected to save the town between \$5 and \$7 million.

A former clay mine in Selkirk is now home to a solar field, thanks to Florida-based NextEra Energy Resources.

The 12,350-module, 3.75 megawatt ground-mounted system spread across two arrays was installed last fall at no upfront cost to the town, as part of a 20-year power purchase agreement (PPA). On average, the town will save between \$25,000 and \$35,000 annually, with an estimated first-year savings of \$150,000.

"The town's Sustainable Bethlehem initiative is our commitment to lead by example, encourage energy efficiency and specifically to take actions that reduce gas emissions," said Bethlehem Town

Supervisor John Clarkson. "NextEra Energy Resources' solar installation at the town's former clay mine site meets all these goals and will also save Bethlehem taxpayers a lot of money, with no capital cost. That's a win-win for taxpayers."

Energy generated will be used toward town facilities, and the town will pay a pre-negotiated rate for the electricity to a subsidiary of NextEra Energy Resources, which owns and operates the system.

"This is a great example of how NextEra Energy Resources can help a municipality turn an unused piece of land into a tool for cost-savings and sustainability," said Matt Handel, vice president of development for NextEra Energy Resources. "Oftentimes, these overlooked parcels provide opportunities for the construction of solar projects. The town of Bethlehem's leadership recognized this opportunity and we were pleased to

partner with them to leverage unused land that will result in reduced energy costs and energy savings for the residents of Bethlehem."

The project also received support from Gov. Andrew Cuomo's NY-Sun initiative, administered by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA). The town will receive a 30 percent tax credit.

"Congratulations to the Town of Bethlehem for adopting clean, renewable solar energy, which will reduce taxpayer costs and help New York State meet Governor Cuomo's Reforming the Energy Vision (REV) goals," said John B. Rhodes, president and CEO, NYSERDA. "Under REV and through the state energy plan, New York will reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 40 percent by 2023 and increase renewable energy by 50 percent that same year."

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## ■ COPS, COURTS AND EMERGENCY CALLS

# Scavo gets six months

**ALBANY**—Brian Scavo, 62, of Albany, was sentenced to serve six months in custody at the Albany County Jail to be followed by five years of probation, announced District Attorney David Soares on Friday, March 11.

On Dec. 17, 2015, Scavo was found guilty after trial of two counts of criminal possession of a forged instrument in the second degree, each a class D felony.

On April 10, 2014, at Kinderhook Bank on Delaware Avenue in Delmar, Scavo was in possession two forged checks with intent to defraud the bank in the amounts

of \$2,500 and \$2,950, a total \$5,450 in bogus checks. He faced a maximum sentence of 2 to 7 years in state prison for the crime.

Scavo will also appear in court for accusations that he stalked an employee of Bally Total Fitness in Crossgates Mall in December 2015. While a similar charge was made in 2008 by a separate individual, the case was dismissed when a judge ruled that prosecutors did not have enough documented evidence to warrant conviction. Scavo denies both incidents.

# Robbery suspect arrested

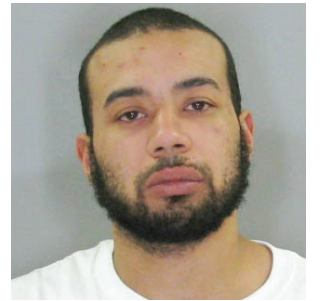
Selkirk man charged for role in hold up at The Corner Market

**BETHLEHEM**—Bethlehem Police arrested Damian J. Perez, 26, of Selkirk, for allegedly committing an armed robbery at The Corner Market gas station in Selkirk on Saturday, March 12, at 10 p.m.

Police located and arrested Perez in the early hours of Sunday, March 13. Police said Perez had entered the store and displayed a firearm while concealing his face, before fleeing with currency

from the store. Perez was located and arrested with assistance from Albany Police Department, New York State Police at New Scotland, Albany County Sheriff's Department, Coeymans Police Department and State University at New York Albany Police K-9 unit.

Perez was charged with felony counts of robbery in the first and grand larceny in the fourth. He was arraigned in Bethlehem Town Court and remanded



**Damian J. Perez**

to Albany County Jail without bail. Perez was scheduled to return to court on March 15.

# Spratt seeks retirement benefits

Former Watervliet High School resource officer looks to collect \$20K

**WATERVLIET**—Joseph Spratt, of Slingerlands, the Watervliet Police officer who was convicted of felony criminal sex act with a student while acting as a resource officer at Watervliet Central High School, is seeking \$20,000 in retirement benefits.

The city considers retirement to come with a minimum of 20 years of service, yet Spratt resigned from the force after 10 years of service. An officer is entitled to vacation, personal and compensatory time

upon resigning.

Spratt is currently in Albany County Jail serving a six-month term, after resigning from service and pleading guilty to the crime on Oct. 8, 2015.

He is scheduled for release on May 3, and will be placed on probation for 10 years, according to the Albany County Sheriff's Office. He registered as a sex offender with the state for life, currently at Level 2, which means he is a moderate risk to commit another sex crime.

## Other arrests:

### New York State Police

• Jarrett D. Lykins of Scotia was arrested in Guilderland on Sunday, March 6, and charged with aggravated DWI. State Police responded to a report of a one-vehicle accident on I-890, just west of the Exit 25 toll booth. Investigations determined that Lykins failed to navigate a curve in the road and drove off the south shoulder,

striking several road signs, said police. He reportedly failed all field sobriety tests and was transported to the Princetown barracks, where he had a BAC of 0.20 percent. Lykins was also issued numerous traffic tickets. He is scheduled to appear in Guilderland Town Court on March 24.

### Guilderland Police

• Lisset Drislane, 35, of 126 Columbia Hill Road, Averill Park, was arrested the morning of Wednesday,

March 2, after she allegedly left her 8-month-old daughter unattended in a car seat in her parked car at Stuyvesant Plaza near CVS Pharmacy. She had left the child unattended for more than 30 minutes, said police, and the car was not running. The temperature at the Albany Airport was 30 F at that time. Drislane was charged with endangering the welfare of a child, a misdemeanor, and is scheduled to appear in Guilderland Town Court on March 17.

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## ■ PERFORMING ARTS

# A lucky young lady

Irish step dancer headed to world championships after battling illness

By **TRICIA CREMO**

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**BETHLEHEM** — After overcoming obstacles, seventh grader Annika Clark is heading to Scotland to compete in the world championships of Irish dance.

In May 2014, when Annika was in fifth grade, after she underwent a routine appendectomy, it was clear something was not right. During her hospital stay, Annika, who attends Bethlehem Central Middle School, developed debilitating pain in her stomach and legs, and by August, she had lost her ability to walk.

"It has not been an easy journey for Annika," said her mother, Danielle Clarke.

She had every test possible and saw many specialists both in this region and beyond. "Every test came back clear — there was no injury to her foot, nothing was wrong with her." At that point, dance was unthinkable, said Clarke.

Doctors discovered the source of her pain as Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS), a rare disorder that causes nerve endings to flare up randomly in pain response when no harm has come to the body.

Only through occupational therapy, meditation and other coping mechanisms did Annika learn to distinguish real pain from pain caused by CRPS. She uses no medication.

"I knew that there was nothing wrong with my foot. I would rather dance and try to forget the pain than never dance again," said Annika Clarke, who began dancing again mere months after her diagnosis.

"It was really hard 'cause I couldn't do any of the things I wanted to," said Annika Clarke. "I was in a boot and crutches from September [2014] to April [2015]. But, the hardest part was not dancing."

By November of 2015, she was ready for the regionals in Philadelphia. At that competition, she placed 8th out of 165 champion dancers, qualifying her for the World Championships.

"Somehow, she has gone from not walking in May to placing 8th in the Mid Atlantic region and qualifying for Worlds,"

said Danielle Clarke. "This has been due to incredible hard work by Annika and her amazing teacher, Lexa Hickey of An Clar. None of us can believe that we will be watching her dance in Glasgow in March. We see all these dancers and they make it look easy — I know from personal experience that there is always a story behind the dancer."

"Just qualifying for World's is a huge accomplishment, but after all that Annika has overcome, she is already a winner!"

Annika is a student of Lexa Hickey at the An Clar School of Irish Dance, located at the Celtic Hall in Albany, N.Y., and in Byram, New Jersey. An Irish Dancer since the age of four, Annika started dancing in Rhode Island and Boston, and has been dancing at the championship level since age 8.

Annika Clarke heads to Scotland Thursday, March 17, to compete March 21.



Irish step dancer Annika Clarke of Bethlehem is headed to Glasgow, Scotland to compete in the World Championships.

Photo provided



From left to right: McKenzie Koch, Jack Mastrianni, Hannah Thein, and Lucas Martinez will portray Sandy, Denny, Rizzo, and Kenickie, respectively, in BCHS' Stage 700 theater group's production of "Grease."

Provided photo

## It's the show that they want

BCHS student theater group to present 'Grease'

By **CAITLYN FRONK**

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**DELMAR** — Bethlehem Central High School's Stage 700 theater group is producing the musical "Grease," directed by James Yeara. Performances will take place on March 17, 18, and 19 at 7 p.m. and on March 20 at 2 p.m.

The show is a revival of the original Grease storyline, with rambunctious teenagers finding themselves both getting into trouble and falling in love easily. These main themes put the musical in high demand, with the student body having requested to produce the show.

The cast members find the topics of teenage thrills relatable even considering the difference in time periods, with Grease set in the 1950s. Student Director Miles Keefe said, "Problems they experienced can translate to this time period, although maybe not in lifestyle," so the musical is a fun glimpse into the past while still maintaining a certain pertinence to the teenage audience. This in-depth look into a student's life is somewhat rare for a theater production, so the students are noticing a lot of fun things about the

experience.

Hannah Thein, a senior who plays the character Rizzo, said, "It is a rare opportunity for me to play a part about high school." She later explained that her character is very different from her actual personality. Rizzo's scandalous plot line faces quite a few difficulties, yet she remains "tough, and can deal with anything," Thein said.

"Understanding the characters like this, and watching the character progression" has been one of the most fun parts of the show, said Keefe.

The students are also noticing that with a good show, comes hard work. "Grease" is a high-energy show, so the students must have high endurances. "It can become very physically demanding having to run around and sing, while also keeping up the professionalism," said McKenzie Koch, a junior who plays the role of Sandy. In the past few weeks the students have been buckling down to prepare for the upcoming show by having as many as six rehearsals in a week. Sometimes these rehearsals can last up to eight hours during the weekends as the young actors work tirelessly toward opening night.

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## ■ COMMUNITY

# Mahoney visits for 'Read Local' series

Dennis Mahoney, the Troy-based author of "Bell Weather" and "Fellow Mortals"—both critically acclaimed novels—will speak at the Guilderland Public Library on Saturday, March 19, at 2 p.m. as part of the library's "Read Local: Book Talks & Author Signings" series.

He will speak about how he crafts his works, which should be fascinating, as "Mahoney crafts sentences that take your breath away," in the words of one *Times Union* reviewer. "The paragraphs of his virtuoso new novel, 'Bell Weather,' move across the page like a summer thunderstorm, ominous and volatile,



crackling with electricity and portent."

And then there's this: "Set in a fantastical 18th century world where rain falls up and color storms wash the land with bright hues, 'Bell Weather' is, at its core, the story of a spirited young woman fighting for the freedom to choose her own path. ... Mahoney has created a marvelous world that readers will want to visit again and again."—Indie Next List

His first novel, "Fellow Mortals," was a 2013 Booklist Top Ten Debut.

This is going to be a popular event, so you're encouraged to arrive a bit early to get a seat.

## That feels funny

Children ages 4 through 7 will get a whole new feel for things when they come to GPL on Tuesday, March 22, at 3:30 p.m. for a fun-filled STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) program, "Textures & Materials." We'll explore the world around us through books, experiments, activities and crafts. Lots of hands-on learning for

everyone. Please register by calling 456-2400, ext. 4.

## Are you going to eat that?

On Wednesday, March 23, at 7 p.m. GPL will feature a discussion of "Philosophers at Table," an examination of one of the most important things we do each day: eat.

The question of what we eat—and how—may seem simplistic, but it is dense with complex meanings, reflecting myriad roles that food plays and has played over the centuries. Raymond D. Boisvert, professor at Siena College, will discuss his new book "Philosophers at Table: On

Food and Being Human," which addresses the philosophically charged act of eating. This book shows that we are not just creatures driven by our minds, but also by our stomachs.

## The Queen of Diamonds

Capping GPL's Sinatra Sundays series is one of the darkest Cold War movies ever made, John Frankenheimer's "The Manchurian Candidate" from 1962. It's showing at 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 20, on the big screen in the Helderberg Room.

Near the end of the Korean War, communists

capture and brainwash some U.S. soldiers. Upon release, one sergeant—Laurence Harvey—is lauded as a hero by his fellow soldiers, but something does not quite ring true. The platoon leader, Frank Sinatra, finding himself plagued by bizarre nightmares, digs for the truth and uncovers an ingenious but horrific assassination plot. Angela Lansbury (of "Murder She Wrote" fame) was nominated for an Academy Award for her marvelously villainous role as the movie's mad matriarch. Oh, and please do not bring any Queen of Diamonds cards to this flick.

—Mark Curiale

# A Y story of giving

Anyone who has ever raised money for a good cause can relate to the fact that to do well you must truly believe in your cause. As the Bethlehem YMCA continues to fundraise for its Annual Campaign, our Y leaders, staff and volunteer board members have all committed their own funds, as well as a great deal of time and effort, to encourage member donations to ensure that everyone, regardless of their financial circumstances, can benefit from the programs and services of the Y.

I hear from so many of our Y members tell me that they donate to our Annual Campaign because they appreciate the good work the Bethlehem YMCA does for our community and they are happy to support it.

In this column, I am sharing a story submitted by a Y member about someone who not only donates a significant



amount of money to the Y's Annual Campaign, but also truly believes in the Golden Rule and helping others in any way possible, even if it means stretching his own budget. Here is that story:

"In our fair town of Bethlehem, New York, one can find a multitude of generous and compassionate folks. Here's a story of one such person, a professional who treats all of his clients just as he might wish to be treated.

This man lives on a strict budget, maintained on computer software by his wife, so he gets a certain amount of cash every month for his own discretionary spending. Since he spends most of his waking hours at work and doesn't have any expensive personal habits, much of his monthly

allotment is given away to people in need.

Every year, a little before Christmas, along comes one of his long-time clients, with a fresh version of the same hard luck story he has every year. He needs help with car repairs; his house will go into foreclosure if he doesn't make a payment; he's way behind on the bills; his children need some things or have Christmas wishes he can't afford. Always very real needs, heart wrenching stories.

Our hero has a huge heart, along with a special secret fund, into which he regularly deposits any windfall such as an unexpected rebate, insurance payment or overtime pay. With help from his personal budget allotment, he manages to keep this fund, which he calls "Freedom Bonds," available for emergency withdrawals.

Whenever one of his clients comes to him for assistance, he tells them he'll cash a Freedom Bond to help them out.

Every once in awhile, he'll inform his wife that a check for a larger sum needs to be written to the order of the client in need. He calls it a loan, but they both know it's a gift, and they are truly thankful for the ability to share their gifts.

His big predicament is, when he retires, and one of his needy clients asks at the front desk for some assistance in the form of Freedom Bonds, no one in his office will have any idea what the client is talking about!"

One of the best things about this story is that it's not the only one of its kind. Many people in Bethlehem donate money to the Y's Annual Campaign. Some pledge a lot, some a little. Every donation is greatly appreciated, not only by the people raising the money, but also by the kids, the moms, the dads and others who benefit from the compassion and generosity of the Y, its members, staff, volunteers and supporters.

—Mark Hansen

## ■ NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

### Board of elections visits Bethlehem Grange

BETHLEHEM — The Albany County Board of Elections will have representatives visiting the Bethlehem Grange No. 137, located at 24 Bridge St. in Selkirk, on Tuesday, March 22, at 7 p.m.

The representatives will register voters, help them learn how to fill out absentee ballots and teach them how to use the electronic voting machines. There will be a short presentation with an opportunity to practice the use of the marking device machine and the electronic scanner.

Representatives will also answer questions about the presidential primaries on April 19, the federal primaries on June 28, state and local primaries on Sept. 13 and the general election on Nov. 8.

Refreshments follow the presentation.

### Pastoral pastures oil painting workshop

VOORHEESVILLE — There will be an oil painting workshop Saturday, March 19, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Thacher Nature Center, 87 Nature Center Way.

In one lesson, create an oil landscape on a 16-by-20-inch canvas. Background mist, painting livestock and textural pastoral landscapes will be taught, along with how to effectively apply, blend and smooth oil paints on a prepared canvas.

The fee is \$54, and all materials are included. Please bring a bag lunch. Refreshments will be provided.

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## ■ COMMUNITY



Bethlehem Public Library is now circulating Orion StarBlast 4.5" telescopes. The tabletop devices are perfect for backyard astronomers and those new to stargazing. *Kristen Roberts*

# Onward and upward

At Bethlehem Public Library, we promise you the moon and the stars – and we deliver! Thanks to funding provided by our Friends of the Library, we have added high-powered tabletop telescopes to our collection.

The Orion StarBlast 4.5" telescope is perfect for the budding astronomy enthusiast and can be borrowed for a week at a time. It is easy to use, but powerful enough to provide a glimpse of some exciting celestial objects. You'll gain a whole new perspective of the moon when you can clearly see its craters, "seas" and mountain ranges from 238,000 miles away. And with its ever-changing phases, you'll get a new view every night. Zoom in on the two-color double star Albireo in the Cygnus constellation or set your sights on the rings of Saturn and the cloud bands of Jupiter. The sky's the limit!

When you check out a telescope from the library, you'll get the telescope itself, along with a carrying bag, lens brush, Celestron flashlight, a couple of guides to the night sky, as well as an easy-to-follow user manual that will have you stargazing in no time. The only thing that's not included is a guarantee the skies will be clear.

## Local author event

Albany County is home to many established authors, and next month, the library



will be celebrating local writers with a book fair and author event Sunday, April 10, from 1 to 4 p.m. If you are a published local author interested in participating, you can register by filling out the form at [www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org/authorfair.asp](http://www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org/authorfair.asp). The deadline to register is March 31. For more information, contact Natalie McDonough at 439-9314, ext. 3023.

## Consider a run for library board of trustees

Nominating petition forms and informational packets are available at the library for one open seat on the Bethlehem Public Library board of trustees. The seat holds a full term of five years. Petitions must contain at least 64 signatures of voters residing in Central School District No. 6 of the towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland. Petitions must be filed with the District Clerk, Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Ave., Delmar by 4:30 p.m. on April 18. Elections will be held on Tuesday, May 17, from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Bethlehem Central High School.

## Upcoming events

**Friday, March 18**  
**Block Party**

Get ready to have some fun with blocks. Build 'em up and knock 'em down! Up to age 6 with caregiver. 10 a.m.

### Friday Cinema

Enjoy a matinee with PG and PG-13 titles intended for adults. 2 p.m.

## Saturday, March 19

### Time Out for Tales

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

## Sunday, March 20

### Knit One, Purl One

If you're an experienced knitter, bring your current project. If you're a beginner, bring size 8 knitting needles; we'll provide yarn and get you started. For adults, teens, kids age 9 and up. 2 to 3 p.m.

## Wednesday, March 23

### Creative Coloring for Adults

Join the latest craze in stress relief for grownups. We provide the materials and a snack. 7 to 8:30 p.m. Sign up online or call 439-9314.

## Thursday, March 24

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— *Kristen Roberts*

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## OBITUARY

### Ford, Kenneth Smith

**SLINGERLANDS** — Born in Albany 93 years ago, Ken Ford passed away on February 21, 2016.

He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Joy (Alice Caroline Beckers); daughters Barbara Geortner (Jack), Janet Limeri (Marc), Susan Ford (Larry Krajkowski); four grandchildren, Jessica Krajkowski, Zachary Krajkowski, Christopher Limeri, and Lisa Limeri; and nephews, Dr. Bradley Ford (Marcia) and Kenneth Ford.

Ken began his banking career as a teller at City & County Savings Bank and retired as vice president and secretary of Dime Savings Bank. He served his country in the United States Army Air Corp in China and Burma during World War II. Founding residents of Colonial Acres,



Ken Ford

Ken and Joy lived most of their lives in Glenmont.

Friends may gather Friday, March 18, from 4 to 7 p.m. at Meyers Funeral Home, 741 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on March 19 at the New Covenant Presbyterian Church, 916 Western Ave. in Albany. Contributions may be made to the church or to the Lions Eye Bank of Albany, 6 Executive Park, Albany 12203.

## ANNIVERSARY



### Two anniversaries, one celebration

Pat and Roger Sutliff and Judy and Ron Selkirk celebrated their 60th wedding anniversaries on Jan. 16 at the American Legion Post 1040 in Delmar. Due to limited space, it was attended mostly by family members. Roger and Ron bowl weekly, and Pat and Judy are their "cheerleaders." The two couples have enjoyed many activities together, and they decided to celebrate their 60th anniversaries together, since they were married only about one month apart. The Sutliffs have three children and eight grandchildren, and the Selkirks have four children and five grandchildren. Submitted photo

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## IN BRIEF

### Lecture focuses on the Wemples

**BETHLEHEM** — The Bethlehem Historical Association's March meeting takes place Thursday, March 17, at 7 p.m. at the Cedar Hill Schoolhouse, 1003 River Road in Selkirk.

John Wemple Jr. will present a talk about the Wemples of Bethlehem. Following the talk, town historian Susan Leath

will be available to sell and sign copies of her book, "Historic Tales of Bethlehem, New York."

The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be available following the talk.

For more information, call 767-9432 or visit BethlehemHistorical.org.

### Watercolor painting demonstration

**BETHLEHEM** — The Bethlehem Art Association's monthly meeting Thursday, March 17, at 7 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., features a watercolor demonstration by Theresa Somaio. Somaio is well known as a continuing education teacher in the Bethlehem Central School District.

The public is invited to join the meeting. For more information, visit www.bethlehemartassociation.com.

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## ENTERTAINMENT

### PICK OF THE WEEK



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# Grande dame

The Saratoga Performing Arts Center shares 50 years with modern dance legend Twyla Tharp

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**

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**ALBANY** — The petite 74-year-old woman walked across the University at Albany campus, failing to capture the attention of the undergrads huddled around each corner. One young woman, turned and smiled as she continued to class, but still did not appear to recognize the elder's place at school today, or her status among the dance world's elite.

She has choreographed more than 160 dances. The crossover ballet, a blend of classical ballet, jazz and modern dance, is her brainchild. She has credits in iconic films such as "Hair," "Amadeus," and "White Nights." In her fifty years of dance, she's been considered the preeminent modern dance choreographer, seamlessly transitioning from the classics to the contemporary. Where some may not recognize her name, others can recall the dancing prowess of Mikhail

Famed choreographer Twyla Tharp, who is also celebrating 50 years in dance, will premiere a piece this summer at SPAC.

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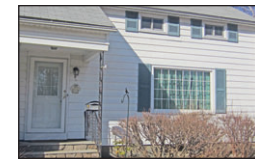
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## ■ JUST ANNOUNCED

# Cornell coming to Palace in July

**ALBANY** — Chris Cornell, frontman for iconic bands such as Soundgarden, Temple of the Dog and Audioslave will play a solo act at the Albany Palace Theatre on Friday, July 1.

Cornell's distinctive voice helped define the alternative music genre starting in the early '90s when he first burst onto the scene with Soundgarden. First formed in 1984, the Seattle grunge band did not receive commercial success until the 1994 release of "Superunknown." The band would go on to sell more than 22 million records worldwide.

When the late Scott Weiland left Stone Temple Pilots, another iconic alternative band was left without a lead singer. Cornell stepped in, and the band would re-brand itself Audioslave in 2001. In its six years, the band released three albums and received three Grammy Awards.

For tickets and more information, visit [albanypalace.com](http://albanypalace.com) or call 518-465-3334.

## ■ LIVE MUSIC

# Get Up Jack recording live at Revolution Hall

**TROY** — The first time was so nice, the band is doing it twice.

Get Up Jack, the country blue grass/Celtic band, recorded a live album at Revolution Hall last year, is going to do it again on Thursday, March 17 at 7 p.m.

The band comprises of Mike DeAngelis, John Haggerty, Scott Apicelli, Crick Diefendorf, Doug Johnson and Tom Pirozzi.

Tickets can be purchased at Brown's Brewing, right next to Revolution Hall or online at <http://brownsbrewing.com/get-up-jack-march-17-2016>.



# Alzheimer's Disease

## Memory Screenings/Lecture



**Dr. Richard Holub**  
Neurological  
Associates of Albany

**DATE:** Wed, March 23

**TIME:** 5:00 - 8:00 PM

**PLACE:** **Desmond Hotel**  
660 Albany Shaker Rd.

Refreshments will be provided.

Dr. Richard Holub of Neurological Associates of Albany will be presenting a lecture on Alzheimer's disease and providing **free** individualized memory screenings at The Desmond Hotel in Albany.

Dr Holub will be talking about the nature of Alzheimer's disease, the latest research in the field, and a new clinical research study now available. **The MINDSET Study** is a Phase III study for those with mild-to-moderate Alzheimer's disease.

### EVENT SCHEDULE:

Memory Screenings	Lecture and Q&A	Memory Screenings
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## ■ FITNESS

# It's a matter of the mind

Many times the obstacles in the way of your goals are a figment of your imagination

By **DAN ROMAND**

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**Y**ou can accomplish anything if you set your mind to it.

This past weekend, my wife Laurie and I had the pleasure of traveling to Boston with two of our clients, Margaret and Jay French. We went there so they could compete at the World Indoor Rowing Championships aka the Crash-B's.

For Margaret, this was her second time competing and for Jay it was his first.

Now for those unfamiliar with them the Crash B's are the event for indoor rowing. (Yes, they have races on those machines no one uses at the gym.)

People come from all over the world to compete including some current and former Olympic rowers. This weekend we had the pleasure of meeting and talking with fellow competitors from places like Germany, Australia, Great Britain, The Netherlands, Canada, Mexico and Peru.

Best of all, you don't have to be an Olympian nor do you have to meet certain criteria. Anyone can compete regardless of age, gender or level of ability. They even have raises for those with special needs or other

disabilities.

Honestly, I don't know of a single other sport where you can actually sit down next to an Olympic caliber athlete and take them on in their own sport; and, for some competitors, actually beat them.

So getting back to Margaret and Jay. Jay started training for this weekend 11 months ago. Margaret has been training for two years. It's amazing, when you consider that Jay is 84 years old and Margaret 73.

Yes. You read that correctly.

Even more amazing is the level of dedication they each put into it. You see, Margaret and Jay didn't want to just compete, they both wanted to have a shot at getting a medal. To go against world class competition you have to train hard. Averaging up to seven hours each week over the past year, Margaret and Jay trained and focused on the objective. They each time spent on the rower, but also focused on eating correctly and getting enough rest.

I'm happy to say they both succeeded in reaching their goals. Both of them earned bronze medals. For Margaret it was her second year in a row on the podium, which is no easy feat. But, they also earned something even more important than those shiny medals, they earned better health.

At ages where many are content to sit in rocking chairs and frankly count the days remaining Jay and Margaret decided they didn't want to just add years to their life but life to their years. Over the past couple of years Margaret has lost about 40 pounds and kept it off. Over the same time period, Jay shed a few pounds, and added muscle tone, which will help improve his balance and enjoy day-to-day life more.

Honestly, that's what it's really about. Sure the glory of standing on a podium and getting a medal is awesome, but being able to get out and enjoy life especially at an age when so many are unable to do so, is even better.

As coaches, Laurie and I couldn't be prouder of them. They inspire us to keep moving forward and to help other like them achieve their goals.

The lesson to take away from it is that it's ok to dream. But a dream doesn't become reality through magic. It takes sweat, determination and hard work.

But, the payoff when you achieve that dream is so worth it, just ask Margaret and Jay the next time you see them.

*Dan Romand is co-owner and operator of Full Circle Fitness-NY in Colonie, where he is also a Certified Personal Trainer.*



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## ■ HEALTH

## Warding away Alzheimer's

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**

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**COLONIE** — We joke of having “senior moments” as we grow older. We misplace car keys, we walk into a room forgetting the need to be there.

“We have this process that’s called ‘normal aging’ where there is marginal forgetfulness,” said Dr. Richard Houlb. “However, when people start to have more difficulty with short-term memory recall... for example, everybody misplaces their keys, but won’t have it as an everyday occurrence.”

Holub said the occasional “senior moment” is a normal occurrence in human aging, but he asks everyone to “take a step back” and assess how often such moments happen. Many times, people don’t see a potential problem as it progresses over time, until family members find themselves exhausted from the added burden of care giving.

On Wednesday, March 23, New York state Senator Neil Breslin is scheduled to join Houlb as the doctor lectures and provides free individualized memory screenings at the Desmond Hotel in Albany starting at 5 p.m.

Those who are interested are asked to register ahead of time at [AlzheimersLecture.EventBrite.com](http://AlzheimersLecture.EventBrite.com). For more information, visit [NeurologicalAssociatesOfAlbany.com](http://NeurologicalAssociatesOfAlbany.com) or call 518-426-0575.

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## ■ HAPPENING NOW

# Hakuna matata

Production stage manager finds having a sense of humor is a problem free philosophy

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**

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## SCHENECTADY —

As elaborate and awe-inspiring the costumes and scenery of *The Lion King* can be on stage, it's the operations behind the scenes that is more impressive.

Mind you, when *Pride Rock*, the *Elephant Graveyard*, or even the giraffe costumes themselves are not on stage, they all fit some place backstage. And, while the show is going on, that backstage is as hectic as the flight deck of a naval aircraft carrier, said Production Stage Manager Matthew Shriner.

"It's a very big show. It's a grand spectacle," said Shriner, who has logged more than 25 years into a stage managing career with a list of shows that runs five pages deep on his resume. The production veteran has been at the helm with *The Lion King* for eight months, as it tours the nation. It makes a stop at Proctors for a near one-month run that starts Tuesday, March 22 and closes Sunday, April 17.

"Given the size and scope of the visual spectacle, the puppets and the costumes, the size of the cast, and the size of the support crew that goes along with it, [*The Lion King*] presents a wholly unique challenge," said Shriner. As production stage manager, he supervises a staff that outnumbers the performers. The stage managing staff helps him with the "moment-to-moment" nuances of the musical. Something he describes as a "well-oiled machine."

"It pulls out all these different theatrical traditions," he said. "At the same time I do have a fantastic stage managing staff that helps me, day-to-day, moment-to-moment. We are a very large, well-oiled machine. We have more people off-stage than we have on-stage to help support and get it out each day. Facilitating all those people is a challenge. The biggest part, as you grow into this role and you get comfortable in keeping all those balls in the air, is to make sure everyone has what they need to succeed everyday on stage."

Of course, *The Lion King: The Musical* is based upon the hit 1994 film that shared the story of Simba, the lion cub who would be king of his pride. The story, however,



Simba, here played by Aaron Nelson, plays the cub who will be King of the pride — so long as he can battle through his fears.

Photo by Matthew Murphy  
Photo below of Matthew Shriner by Selena Moshell

takes audiences through the trials and tribulations adolescence and ultimately facing up to the responsibilities of adulthood. Its cinematic success helped usher in the return of Disney Films as a viable franchise again, after several years

of subpar earnings.

The musical rendition debuted on Broadway at the New Amsterdam Theater in 1997. It continues on to this day, making it Broadway's third longest-running show in history. Having grossed more than \$1 billion during that time, it is also the highest grossing Broadway production, ever.

The stage production takes on a surreal atmosphere, with actors portraying animals by means of headaddresses and other tools. In the case of the aforementioned giraffes, actors take to the stage on stilts to replicate the animals natural height. Principal actors adorn special head pieces that help mimic the wild movements of lions. The imaginative approach, while maintaining the visual African setting of the story, immediately captured audiences. Just how many moving parts there are, both on stage and off, no one knows.

"I've never actually ever counted," said Shriner. "I never thought to count.... Probably because I can't count that high!"

Those familiar with the movie, but not yet the musical, will witness several additions and tweaks to the storyline. Rafiki, originally played by Robert Guillaume in the film, is now played by a woman in the musical adaptation. The musical also includes additional songs, and scenes not present in the film.

Shriner shared that one difference between the touring

act, and the one that plays on Broadway, involves *Pride Rock*.

"On Broadway, *Pride Rock* comes up out of the floor from the deck," said Shriner. "And, we found that many theatres across the country won't allow us to dig a huge hole in their stage."

*Pride Rock*, the symbolic home of King Mufasa and Queen Sarabi, snakes across the deck — both for the practical means of setting and storage, and as an artistic approach.

"The creative team, when they put this tour together 14 years ago came up with a truly artistic and creative way for the *Rock* to enter," said Shriner. "The *Rock* moves around quite a bit more, and it actually becomes another character in the show. ... It's a very interesting and creative solution to the technical problem. And, I could show a little bit of favoritism, but I really like how our *Pride Rock* snakes around the deck."

Shriner describes his role with Disney's *The Lion King* as "never boring" and "constantly exciting." It's a job that also demands persevering the headaches of travel. Understandably, he has relatively more to travel with than your suitcase. He shares how, prior to this phone interview from Durham, N.C., the cast had to duck tornado warnings during its rehearsal. Long days such as that, he said it helps to, "just be able to laugh it off and move on, not take it too seriously."

No matter how rough it is, when I'm in front of the house and watch 'Circle of Life', the opening number, I go, 'You know. It's all worth it.' When I see the expressions on the audience faces. Yeah, it was sorta worth the 12-hour day to make it all happen."



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Deer Tick comprises of Robert Barr Crowell, John Joseph McCauley, Ian Patrick O'Neil, Christopher Dale Ryan and Dennis Michael Ryan.

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Deer Tick fans can listen to a recent acoustic show recorded live from the Georgia Theatre in Athens, GA by visiting Set.fm: <http://bit.ly/1TsJOA4>.

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Arthur's Market

35 N. Ferry St., Schenectady. 382-1938

Every Thur: **Edith's Amazing Jam** | 6 p.m.

Fri: **Kitchen Jazz** | 7 p.m.

Sat: **Drums Along the Mohawk** | 2 p.m.

Slate Hill | 7 p.m.

Sun: **Compton** | 1 p.m.

Mon: **Jim Connelly** | 7 p.m.

Tue: **The Dynamic Duo** | 7 p.m.

Athos

1814 Western Ave., Albany. 608-6400

Fri: **Charles Cornell** | 7 p.m.

Castle Street Café

10 Castle St., Great Barrington, Mass. 413-528-5244

Fri: **Wanda Houston Band** | 8 p.m.

Sat: **Jon Sauer Trio** | 8 p.m.

Cafe NOLA

617 Union St., Schenectady. 357-8628

Thur: **Patrick's Fiddle** | 6 p.m.

Fri: **The Flood Road Boys** | 6:30 p.m.

Sat: **E.J. Ray Acoustic** | 6:30 p.m.

Caffe Lena

47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs. 225-0882

Every Thur: **Open Mic** | 7 p.m.

Fri: **Antjke Duvecot, Cricket Blue** | 8 p.m.

Sat: **Bluegrass Jam** | 9:30 a.m.

Huxtable, Christensen & Hood | 8 p.m.

Tue: **Renehan and Mastrianni** | 7 p.m.

Carney's Tavern

17 Main Street, Ballston Lake. 280-7959

Thur: **Legendary Losers** | 6 p.m.

Fri: **Mikki Baker** | 7:30 p.m.

Sat: **Craig Todd** | 7:30 p.m.

City Beer Hall

ARTS

CALENDAR



Music in the library

The Etude Club of Schenectady will perform classical, jazz and bluegrass music at the next “Beat the Snow” concert series show at the Schenectady County Public Library on March 20. See Page 9 for details.

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42 Howard St., Albany. 449-2337

Every Sat: **90s Dance Party** | 11 p.m.

Club Helsinki

405 Columbia St., Hudson. 828-4800

or helsinkiHUDSON.com

Thur: **Aaron Neville** | 8 p.m. | SRO

Fri: **Lady Moon and The Eclipse** | 9 p.m.

Emack & Bolio's

366 Delaware Ave. 512-5100

Fri: **Gross and Hart** | 7 p.m.

Sat: **Alan Goldberg** | 7 p.m.

Every Tue: **Open Mic** | 7 p.m.

The Fountain Restaurant

283 New Scotland Ave., Albany. 482-9898

Fri & Sat: **Skip Parsons' Riverboat Jazz Band** | 9:30 p.m.

Fuze Box

12 Central Ave., Albany. 703-8937

Thur: **Funeral Advantage, Broken Field Runner, Modern Lives, The Plastic Faction** | 7:30 p.m. | \$5

Fri: **80s Nite: St. Pats Edition** | 9 p.m.

Sat: **Capital Trash Invasion** | 7 p.m.

Ginger Man

234 Western Ave., Albany. 427-5963

Fri: **Dave Gleason** | 8 p.m.

Grappa '72

818 Central Ave., Albany. 482-7200

Wed & Thur: **Hamilton Street Jazz Company** | 6:30 p.m.

Fri: **Pete Sweeney Trio** | 6:30 p.m.

The Half Moon

48 S. Front St., Hudson. thehalfmoonHUDSON.com

Fri: **Awesome Tapes From Africa** | 9 p.m.

The Hangar

675 River St., Troy.

Thur: **Peter Jones and the Curragh** | 4 p.m.

Shadowland | 7 p.m.

The Hollow Bar + Kitchen

79 N. Pearl St., Albany. 426-8550

Fri: **Eastbound Jesus** | 10 p.m. | \$15

Sat: **The Hornitz** | 9:30 p.m. | \$12

The Low Beat

335 Central Ave., 432-6572

Every Wed: **The Deadbeats** | 10 p.m. | \$5

Thur: **Hudson Falcons, New Red Scare, Indircles, Girth Control** | 7 p.m.

Fri: **Message From Vega** | 6 p.m.

Gun Candy, Male Patterns, Comrade Nixon, Early Grabs | 8 p.m.

Sat: **Due East, Soon, Yellow Montego** | 8 p.m.

Sun: **Rock N Roll Brunch** | 10:30 a.m.

McGeary's

4 Clinton Square, Albany. 463-1455

Mon: **Ramblin' Jug Stompers anniversary show** | 7 p.m.

Wed: **Best Damn Open Mic Ever with MotherJudge** | 7:30 p.m.

Moon & River Café

115 S. Ferry St., Schenectady. 377-5100

Fri: **Ryan Legere** | 7 p.m.

Sat: **Anonymous Figg Leafs** | 7 p.m.

Every Sun: **RckStar Open Mic** | 7:30 p.m.

Mon: **Doug Chilton** | 7 p.m.

Tue: **Dave Kitchen Trio** | 7 p.m.

Mouzon House

1 York St., Saratoga Springs. 226-0014

Wed: **Joe Gitto & Dan Wancyk** | 6:30 p.m.

Thur: **Hot Club of Saratoga Trio** | 7 p.m.

Oh Bar

304 Lark St., Albany. 463-9004

Thur: **Karaoke** | 10 p.m.

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- ACROSS
1. Plant of a certain family
7. Trying food or drink
14. Bread maker
15. Worn on the chest
16. Less fresh
17. Poisonous alkaloid obtained from nightshade
18. In relation to being in the Senate
20. Calypso offshoot
21. Bacchanal
22. Eminent
23. Accordingly
24. “The Catcher in the \_\_\_\_”
25. Ratty place
26. Multiplied by
27. Bar
28. Macho guys (hyphenated)
29. Any “Seinfeld,” now
30. Manageable or impressionable
31. Puts away
32. Navigational aid
33. Exposed
34. Braided strings of thin ropes
35. “\_\_\_\_ Ng” (They Might Be Giants song)
38. Microwave, e.g.
39. Recipe direction
40. Heating device
41. Apply gently
42. Well-known
44. Get going
46. Cooking utensil commonly used during Thanksgiving
47. Someone that signed up for a course
48. Whistler, e.g.
49. Gloom
50. Responds to a stimulus

- DOWN
1. Someone who grants a lease
2. Diner
3. A farm
4. To untwist a rope
5. Convene
6. Containing error
7. Tie up
8. Bitter
9. “Cut it out!”
10. Blouse, e.g.
11. Men native to the Emerald Isle
12. Sturdy buff cotton cloth
13. Extracts
15. Many a Degas
19. The European mountain ash
23. Kitchen counter?
25. Bit
26. Large US state
27. Evening hour
28. Bicycle steering wheel
29. An uncommon flying animal
30. Observation, part 3
31. Treeless plain
32. An evening party
33. Masses of people
34. \_\_\_\_\_ and Ladders
35. Relating to the heart
36. Like Miss Congeniality
37. Advisories
39. Barbecue fuel
40. \_\_\_\_ del Sol
42. Game piece
43. Charge
45. Elephant’s weight, maybe

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■ ARTS CALENDAR

**One Caroline Street**  
1 Caroline St., Saratoga Springs. 587-2026  
Wed: **The Masters of Nostalgia** | 8:30 p.m.  
Thur: **Chris Carey and Mike O'Donnell** | 8 p.m.  
Fri: **George Muscatello** | 6 p.m.  
**The Grady Girls** | 9 p.m.  
Sat: **Scott Bassinson** | 6 p.m.  
**The North and South Dakotas** | 9 p.m.

**Parish Public House**  
388 Broadway, Albany. 365-0444  
Fri: **Hasty Page, Ryan Clark Band, Tips** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **LAD** | 9 p.m.

**Pauly's Hotel**  
337 Central Ave., Albany. paulyshotel.com  
Wed: **The Things They Carried, Forever At Last, Bendt, Hill Haints** | 8 p.m.  
Thur: **Cliff Inc: St. Patty's Metallica Tribute** | 8 p.m. | \$5  
Fri: **Wavy Cunningham, Fantom and Friends** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Nokturnal, Hellstorm, ROTA, UZB-76** | 8:30 p.m.  
Sun: **The Studio, Standby, Boy Go Fast, Breaking the Fast** | 4 p.m.  
Mon: **Blues Jam** | 8 p.m.

**Platinum Pub**  
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Every Tue: **Open Mic**

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Fri: **George Kraket** | 7 p.m.  
Sat: **Jazz Connection** | 7 p.m.

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### An alley cat meets a unicorn ...

Todd Hamilton and Caedmon Holland perform “Alley Cats and Unicorns,” one of two children’s stories, at Steamer No. 10 Theatre, 500 Western Ave., Albany. The two, one-act plays will be performed Saturday and Sunday at 3 p.m.

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Sun: **Joe Sorrentino Trio (Jazz brunch)** | 10:30 a.m.

**Putnam Den**  
63a Putnam St., Saratoga Springs. 584-8066  
Thur: **Aqueous, Let's Be Leonard, Doctor Magnum, more.** | 7 p.m. |

Free, \$10 under 21 years old.  
Fri: **Galaxy Overdrive, Paradox Saints, more.** | 9:30 p.m. | Donation, \$10 under 21 years old.

**Roux**  
10-01 Vista Blvd., Slingerlands. 487-4358  
Wed: **Azzaam Hameed & Allen Halstead** | 6 p.m.

**Rustic Barn Pub**  
150 Speigletown Rd., Troy. 235-5858  
Every Thur: **Open Mic** | 8 p.m.  
Fri: **Harmonic Duo** | 8 p.m.  
Sat: **Moonshine Junkies** | 8 p.m.

**Sake Japanese Steakhouse**  
611 Troy-Schenectady Rd., Latham. 785-7215

Sat: **Groove Nouveau** | 7:30 p.m.

**Speakeasy 518**  
42 Howard St., Albany. 449-2332  
Wed: **David Vandevoort** | 8 p.m.  
Thur: **Mark Kleinhaut Duo** | 9 p.m.  
Fri: **Nate Giroux Trio** | 9 p.m.  
Sat: **Jeanine Ouderkirk** | 9 p.m.  
Mon: **Joe Finn** | 8 p.m.

Tue: **Jam Session** | 8 p.m.  
**Stockade Inn**  
1 North Church St., Schenectady. 346-3400  
Thur: **Mike Purcell St. Patty's Day Show** | 7 p.m.  
Fri: **Brian Patneau and Matt Finck** | 7 p.m.

**Twisted Vine**  
384 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. 439-3241  
Sat: **Phill Allen Trio** | 8 p.m.

**Upstate Concert Hall**  
1208 New York 146, Clifton Park. 371-0012 or upstateconcerthall.com  
Tue: **Carly Rae Jepsen** | 7 p.m. | \$28

**The Van Dyck**  
237 Union St., Schenectady. 348-7999  
Thur: **Colleen Pratt and Friends** | 7 p.m.

**Waterworks Pub**  
76 Central Ave., Albany. 465-9079  
Thur: **DJ Shawn Gillie** | 11 p.m.  
Fri: **Karaoke** | 10 p.m.  
Sat: **DJ David Barna** | 10 p.m.  
Mon: **Karaoke** | 10 p.m.

**Yono's**  
25 Chapel St., Albany. 436-7747  
Fri: **Hamilton Street Jazz Duo** | 6:30 p.m.  
Sat: **Hamilton Street Jazz Duo** | 6:30 p.m.

MUSIC

**Deer Tick**  
American rock and roll band performs acoustically. March 18, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Tickets: \$31.25, VIP package \$99. Information: 473-1845 or www.theegg.org.

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**The Weight**  
Two members of The Band, guitarist Jim Weider and drummer Randy Ciarlante, team up with Midnight Ramble Band members Byron Isaacs and Brian Mitchell and Band collaborator Marty Grebb to perform the Americana group's music. March 18, 8 p.m., Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 Second St., Troy. Tickets: \$32. Information: 273-0038 or troymusicall.org.

**Albany Symphony Orchestra**  
"To Walk With Giants," featuring collaborations with the six composers of "Sleeping Giants." March 19, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$19-\$60. Sunday Symphony for Families: "The Superhero Show," featuring works by Mozart, Tchaikovsky, Musorgsky, Stravinsky and more. March 20, 3 p.m. Tickets: adults \$20, children free. Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. Information: palacealbany.com.

**Beat the Snow concert series**  
The Schenectady Etude Club performs works by Beethoven, Haydn and Mozart, as well as a jazz arrangement of "When You Wish Upon a Star" and some bluegrass duets. March 20, 2:30 p.m., McChesney Room, Schenectady County Public Library downtown branch, 99 Clinton St. Extension, Schenectady. Free.

**Glens Falls Symphony**  
Presenting "Spectacular Strings" with the help of honor music students from Queensbury, Saratoga Springs, Guilderland and other regional high schools. March 20, 4 p.m., Arthur Zankel Music Center, Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Tickets and information: 793-1348 or www.theglensfallsymphony.org.

**Music from Salem**  
World-renowned cellist Rhonda Rider performs works written for her 2015 artist residency at the Petrified Forest National Park in Arizona. March 20, 4 p.m., Hubbard Hall, 25 East Main St., Cambridge. Suggested ticket price: \$25. Information: 232-2347 or info@musicfromsaalem.org.

**Toshi Reagon and BIGLovely**  
Acclaimed soul/blues singer and her band. March 24, 7:30 p.m., Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 Second St., Troy. Tickets: \$34. Information: 273-0038 or troymusicall.org.

THEATRE

**Glengarry Glen Ross**  
David Mamet's Pulitzer Prize-winning play about the cutthroat world of real estate salesmen. Presented by Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham, through March 19. 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.

**Measure for Measure**  
William Shakespeare's comedy, presented by Schenectady Civic Players, 12 South Church St., Schenectady, March 11-20. Shows: Wednesday and Thursday 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday 8 p.m., Sunday 2:30 p.m. Tickets: \$17. Information: 382-2081 or www.civicplayers.org.

**Hair**  
Classic 1960s counterculture musical, presented by Schenectady Light Opera Company, 427 Franklin St., Schenectady, March 11-20. Information: www.slocheater.org.

**The Blue-Sky Boys**  
A play about how NASA used outside-the-box thinking to successfully get a man to the moon and back. Presented by Capital Repertory Theatre, 111 North Pearl St., Albany, through April 3. Tickets and showtimes: 445-7469 or www.capitalrep.org.

**Steamer No. 10 Theatre**  
Presenting "Puss in Boots" and "Unicorns and Alley Cats," two one-act plays featuring Todd Hamilton and Caedmon Holland, through March 20, 500 Western Ave., Albany. Shows: Saturdays and Sundays at 3 p.m. Tickets: \$15. Information: 438-5503 or www.steamer10theatre.org.

**The Lion King**  
Broadway musical based on the modern classic Disney animated film. March 22 through April 17, Proctors Mainstage, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets and information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

**Bye Bye Birdie**  
Classic Broadway musical about a young rock and roll singer who arrives in a small town for a publicity stunt before joining the Army. Presented by the Saratoga Springs High School Drama Club, March 17-20, Saratoga Springs High School, Loewenburg Auditorium. Tickets: adults \$12, students/senior citizens \$7. Information: sshsdramaclub.com.

COMEDY

**MopCo**  
Presenting "Real Life: The Improv," where celebrities are interviewed about  
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### A very funny man


Comedian and actor David Cross takes his standup tour to the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall Sunday, March 20. For more information, call 273-0038 or visit troymusicall.org

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15 year old, Noah Roman's world was turned upside down and the world as he knew it, changed forever on February 9, 2016. While Noah was attending his High School's basketball game, his family's home was destroyed in a fire. He lost his beloved parents, only sibling (Nate, age 10), and family dog in the tragedy. He was left with only the clothes on his back. We are looking to raise money to rebuild Noah's future. We want Noah to know that there is always hope for a better tomorrow and that his family and friends will Stand by His Side.

Please help to bring hope back into Noah's future by Standing by him and joining us for the 'Stand By Noah Roman' Fundraiser & buffet dinner (buffet times 2:30 & 5:00) on March 26, 2016 from 2pm to 7pm at the Albany Hilton. Tickets are \$25 per person. Each paid ticket will include one Door Prize Ticket, Buffet, DJ Scott-Diamond Entertainment, Dancing, Kid friendly activities, Cash Bar, Raffles and more. Seating is limited, so please register by March 11<sup>th</sup>.

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■ **ARTS CALENDAR**



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Gyusa Varosy's art is part of the Laffer Gallery's "Space + Volume" exhibit. Varosy's works — along with works by Robert Guille — will be on display at the Schuylerville gallery through April 3.

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their lives, and improvisors react to their stories in spontaneous and unpredictable ways. Fridays through April 29, 8 p.m., Proctors Underground, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: adults \$14, children and seniors \$6. Information: 346-6204 or [www.proctors.org](http://www.proctors.org).

**The Funny Bone**

Capone headlines, March 17-20; Addicts Comedy Tour, March 22, 7:30 p.m.; Shawn Wayans, March 24-26. Crossgates Mall, Western Avenue, Guilderland. Shows: Thursdays and Fridays 7:30 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays 7 p.m., late shows Friday and Saturday 10 p.m. Information: 313-7484 or Albany.funnybone.com.

**The Comedy Works — Albany**

Todd Barry, March 18, 7:30 p.m.; Shawn Gillie's Laughs from Below, March 18, 8 p.m., Underground Showroom; Warren B. Hall, March 19, 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. 500 Northern Blvd., Albany. Tickets and information: 512-4075 or [thecomedyworks.com](http://thecomedyworks.com).

**The Comedy Works —**

**Saratoga**

Warren B. Hall, March 18, 7:30 p.m. 388 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Tickets and information: 275-6897 or [thecomedyworks.com](http://thecomedyworks.com).

**Pretty Much the Best Comedy Show: Adrienne Iapalucci**

NBC's "Last Comic Standing" competitor headlines monthly standup show. March 19, 8 p.m., Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: \$15-\$20. Information: 346-6204 or [www.proctors.org](http://www.proctors.org).

**David Cross**

Star of "Mr. Show with Bob and David" and "Arrested Development" brings his

standup tour to town. March 20, 8 p.m., Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 Second St., Troy. Tickets: \$34 and \$44. Information: 273-0038 or [troymusichall.org](http://troymusichall.org).

**DANCE**

**Single Squares of Albany**

Modern western square dancing featuring caller Dave Hass and cuer Dennis Viscanti. March 16, 7:30 p.m., Colonie Elks Club, Watervliet-Shaker Road, Latham. Tickets: \$7. Information: 674-2076.

**Berkshire Ballroom**

**Chapter 3045 of USA Dance**

St. Patrick's Day dance featuring a waltz lesson and general dancing to the music of Ron Tritto. March 19, 7 to 10:30 p.m., Masonic Hall, 116 South St., Pittsfield, Mass. Tickets: USA Dance members \$10, guests \$15, students \$5. Information: [www.berkshireballroom.org](http://www.berkshireballroom.org).

**Albany Dance-Sport Club**

Monthly ballroom dance including a group lesson and a mid-event showcase. March 27, 6:15 to 10 p.m., Polish Community Center, 225 Washington Ave. Extension, Albany. Tickets: adults \$10, students \$5. Information: 456-3995.

**FAMILY/YOUTH**

**Art for All**

A family program presented by the Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. March's program: Marbled Paper Butterflies, inspired by the Karner blue butterfly. Families will create swirled blue patterns for butterfly wings from a marbled paper technique using shaving cream and paint. Information: [www.albanyinstitute.org](http://www.albanyinstitute.org).

**The American Girl**

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The Junior League of Albany sponsors this show for girls and their families, friends and favorite dolls. Guests will enjoy a fashion show, receive a goody bag and have the opportunity to purchase American Girl merchandise. March 19, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., Proctors,

432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: \$37.50 and \$60. Information: 346-6204 or [www.proctors.org](http://www.proctors.org).

**Family Fun Day:**

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Each third Saturday of the month, the New York State Museum offers fun for the whole family with games, crafts and other theme-based activities. March 19, 1 to 4 p.m., Empire State Plaza, Albany. Check with main lobby desk for location. Free.

**Move into Music**

Join Deb Cavanaugh of Helderberg Music Together for an interactive program that gets people singing and dancing while listening to a variety of instruments including guitar, mandolin, mountain dulcimer and more. March 20, 11 a.m., Colvin Tower in Adirondack Hall, New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany.

**FILM**

**Food for Thought —**

**The Messenger**

Featuring the screening of a documentary about the fate of songbirds and how it relates to the survival of humans, as well as food from Heathy Weight Food Co-op and a discussion. March 17, 7 p.m., The Linda: WAMC's Performing Arts Studio, 339 Central Ave., Albany. Tickets: \$8. Information: 465-5233 or [www.thelinda.org](http://www.thelinda.org).

**Reel Women in Film series**

Upstate NY Women in Film and TV presents a screening "Racing Daylight," starring Melissa Leo and David Strathairn. March 18, 8 p.m., The Linda: WAMC's Performing Arts Studio, 339 Central Ave., Albany. Tickets: \$6-\$8. Information: 465-5233 or [www.thelinda.org](http://www.thelinda.org).

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## ARTS CALENDAR

team's story of how it defeated the Soviet Union. March 26, noon, Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. Tickets: adults \$5, children \$3. Information: palacealbany.com.

### LITERARY

**Third Thursday Poetry Night**  
Annie Christain will read from her work, with an open mic to follow. March 17, 7:30 p.m., Social Justice Center, 33 Central Ave., Albany. Suggested donation: \$3. Information: Dan Wilcox, 482-0262 or dwlxc@earthlink.net.

#### Charles Duhigg

Pulitzer Prize-winning business writer talks about his new book, "Smarter Faster Better: The Secrets of Being Productive in Life and Business." March 21, 8 p.m., Page Hall, University at Albany downtown campus, 135 Western Ave., Albany. Free. Sponsored by the New York State Writers Institute. Information: 442-5620 or www.albany.edu/writers-inst.

### EDUCATION

#### Gallery Talks

Enjoy a docent-led tour of the museum's exhibitions. Saturdays and Sundays, 1 p.m. (Schedule subject to change, please call to confirm.) Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany. Info: 463-4478 or membership@albanyinstitute.org.

#### Lincoln on the Civil War:

##### Selected Speeches

Author Giacomo Calabria leads a reading and discussion of President Abraham Lincoln's speeches spanning his political career. Thursdays through

April 14, 6 to 8 p.m., Huxley Theater, New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Free. Information: 474-0575 or email nicole.lafountain@nysed.gov.

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### Capital District Garden & Flower Show

Annual showcase features imaginative displays from area landscape professionals and lectures from regional experts. March 18-20, McDonough Sports Complex, Hudson Valley Community College, Route 4, Troy. Tickets: adults \$12, children 12 and under free. Information: www.gardenandflower-show.com.

#### Geeks Who Drink

A quiz show with eight rounds of eight questions each, including a music round, an audio round and a picture round. Free to play, with prizes for the top two teams and bonus prizes throughout the game. Sundays, 7 p.m., Lionheart Pub, 448 Madison Ave., Albany.

#### Color Between Wines

Adult coloring program. Library supplies the art materials, but adults must bring their own beverages. Wednesdays, 5 p.m., Brunswick Community Library, 4118 State Highway 2, Troy. Information: 279-4023.

#### Family Fun Ceramics

Weekly 90-minute class taught by Catie Singer on Sundays, 2 p.m., Schenectady Jewish Community Center, 2565 Balltown Road, Niskayuna. Cost: members \$8, guests \$12; all materials are included. Information: 377-8803 or www.schenectadyjcc.org.

#### Weekly ceramics

Two-hour Thursday class taught by Chris Singer, 1 to 3 p.m., Schenectady Jewish Community Center, 2565 Balltown Road, Niskayuna. Cost: members \$8, guests \$12; all materials are included. Information: 377-8803 or www.schenectadyjcc.org.

#### One Big Roof

Weekly classes include Gentle Yoga (Monday, 8:30 a.m.), Meditation in Motion Yoga (Monday, 5:30 p.m.), Saratoga Stress Reduction Program (Tuesday, 5:15 p.m. and Saturday, 8:30 a.m.), Tai Chi (Tuesday, 7 p.m.), Deepening your Practice/Embodyoga (Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.), Yoga for Beginners (Wednesday, 10:30 a.m.), Health-preserving Qigong (Wednesday, 7 p.m.), Synervation Physical Therapy (Wednesday, 5 p.m.), Candlelight Yoga (Thursday, 6:30 p.m.) and dharma Meditation (Sunday, 9 a.m.). 538 Maple Ave., Saratoga Springs. Information: www.oneroofsaratoga.com.

#### Cupcakes and Art for Epilepsy

Featuring an exhibit by participants of The Studio E: Epilepsy Art Therapy program, guest speakers Stephen Piorowski and Amanda Stickney and a purple cupcake sale, with proceeds benefitting the Epilepsy Foundation. March 24, noon, Schenectady County Community College, Elston Student Commons, Schenectady.

### EXHIBITS

#### Albany Heritage Area Visitors Center

"Nature at Your Doorstop," a photo exhibit featuring many of the natural wonders of the Capital District, through

April 30. 25 Quackenbush Square, Albany. Information: 434-0405.

#### Albany Institute of History and Art

"The Capital Region in 50 Objects," through April 2016; "Masterworks: 225 Years of Collecting," through Sept. 4; plus "A Gather of Glass: Selections from the Museum's Collection," "Ancient Egypt" and more. 125 Washington Ave., Albany. Information: 463-4478 or www.albanyinstitute.org.

#### Albany Public Library

"Through the Looking Glass," featuring whimsical and imaginative works by Zach Austin, JoAnne Carson, Emily Dorr and Ingrid Ludt, through March 26. Pine Hills Branch, 517 Western Ave., Albany. Info: 482-7911.

#### Arts Center of the Capital Region

"Monica Bill Hughes: Artist in Residence," "Here + Away: Still Lifes + Landscapes," "Traces: Mary Pat Wager and Rachel Baxter" and "Centered: Our Journeys." 265 River St., Troy. Info: artscenteronline.org.

#### Carrie Haddad Gallery

"Photography," featuring a variety of innovative photo techniques. 622 Warren St., Hudson. Information: 828-1915 or carriedaddadgallery.com.

#### The Hyde Collection

"Norman Rockwell in the 1960s," featuring 21 illustrations and original magazine covers by the artist, through April 3; "60 from the 60s: Selections from the George Eastman Museum," through April 3. 161 Warren St., Glens Falls. Information: 792-1761 or www.hydecollection.org.

#### Laffer Gallery

"Space + Volume," an exhibit featuring artists Robert Guille and Gyula Varosy, through April 3. 96 Broad St., Schuylerville.

#### Mabee Farm Historic Site

"Local Eats! What Does Your Food Say About You?" Featuring original artwork, artifacts and documents from the Schenectady County Historical Society, as well as pieces from the Iroquois Indian Museum, the USS Slater, Hanford Mills Museum, miSci and the City Mission, through April 8. 1100 Main St., Rotterdam Junction. Info: 887-5073 or schenectadyhistorical.org.

#### miSci

"Earth Exposed: Discover Our Planet's Hidden Secrets." Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Info: 382-7890 or www.miSci.org.

#### New York State Museum

"PLAY! 6th Annual Capital Region CANstruction," through March 30; "REPRESENT: Contemporary Native American Art," through July 3; "St. Paul's Chapel: A Place of Refuge," through Aug. 21. Empire State Plaza, 222 Madison Ave., Albany. Info: 474-5877 or www.nysm.nysed.gov.

#### Opalka Gallery at Sage College

"Kate Teale: The Housed," an exhibition of atmospheric paintings and large-scale drawings of waves and bedsheets that float between figuration and abstraction, plus a site-specific wall drawing, through April 10. 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany. Information: 292-8607.

#### Saratoga Arts

"Showcasing Saratoga Arts' Teaching

Artists," featuring works by 23 faculty members, through April 30, 320 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information: www.saratoga-arts.org.

#### Tang Teaching Museum


"Alma Thomas," a collection of artwork spanning her career, through June 5; "Borrowed Light: Selections from the Jack Shear Gift," through Aug. 14; "Elevator Music 30: Critter & Guitari," where visitors are invited to play unique musical instruments designed by Critter and Guitari in the museum's elevator, through June 5; and "Liz Collins — Energy Field," through May 31. Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information: tang.skidmore.edu.

#### Union College

"Recurrence," featuring artists Kira Nam Greene, Juan Hinojosa, Simone Meltesen, Karen Schiff, Sam Vernon and Rachael Wren, Mandeville Gallery, Nott Memorial second floor, through April 10; "Slippery Slope by Georgie Friedman," Peter Irving Wold Center, College Atrium, second floor, through Nov. 30; "LIFE as Art: Digital Prints by Arielle Singer," Wikoff Student Gallery, Nott Memorial, third floor, through March 20. Information: 388-6318 or www.union.edu/gallery.

#### University Art Museum


"Keltie Ferris: Body Prints and Paintings," "Race, Love, and Labor: New Work from the Center for Photography at Woodstock's Artist-in-Residency Program" and "Gerard 7 Kelly: Performance Documents," through April 2. University at Albany uptown campus, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany. Information: 442-4035 or www.albany.edu/museum.



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## From page B1 ... Grande dame

Baryshnikov, Gregory Hines and more. Each of their legacies are intertwined with one another. Twyla Tharp has not only walked among the giants of modern dance, she directed each of their steps.

Earlier this month, Tharp joined representatives from Catskill Mountain Foundation, Proctors and Saratoga Performing Arts Center to launch Pathways to Dance, an annual eight-county, ten venue Capital District initiative, in concert with Manhattan's Joyce Theater, designed to support new dance creation

and presentation.

At the University at Albany's Performing Arts Center Recital Hall, Tharp, CMF Director of Programming Pam Weisberg, Proctors CEO Philip Morris and SPAC President and Executive Director Marcia J. White thanked the NYS Regional Economic Development Council for its \$90,000 grant, which is administered by Electric City Arts and Entertainment District.

The group also outlined 2016's inaugural programming, built around Tharp's pioneering work and celebrating her 50

years in dance.

Bringing the legendary choreographer to the SPAC stage, with it too celebrating 50 years as the summer home of the fine arts, seems to be the perfect fit. But, some luck has to be credited here, too.

"When we first talked to the Joyce, they said, 'you know, we have arrangements with Twyla Tharp and her company,'" recalled Morris. "We sort of went..." he said, evoking something similar to Macaulay Culikin after his Kevin McCallister slapped aftershave onto his baby face. "Really?! Could that work?"

The heart of this year's project is a six-week Catskills residency, where Tharp will remount two repertory



works—"Country Dances" from 1976 and "Brahms Paganini" from 1980. She will also rehearse a new octet set to Beethoven's Opus 133. A showcase of work in progress will occur April 16 at the Orpheum Film and Performing Arts Center, Tannersville, with the June premiere to follow at SPAC.

"There is no grander way to present 'Pathways to Dance' than with a world premiere performance by Twyla Tharp's company," said

White, who in February announced she will retire upon season's end. Her own legacy defined by bringing eleven years of

profitable returns after SPAC suffered years of debt. Pathways will stage two repertory works and one new work on Thursday, June 30 as part of SPAC's 50th anniversary season. "Under Ms. Tharp's peerless artistic leadership, this remarkable upstate/downstate collaboration will enrich the Capital Region's dance offerings in an unprecedented way."

Other elements of the initial project, sparked by The Egg in Albany, include: a display of some of Tharp's choreography at the National Museum of Dance in Saratoga Springs; community participation in dance-making through Tharp's "The One Hundreds," at the Schenectady YMCA (sponsored by Proctors); and related lectures/demonstrations at venues including Basilica Hudson, Hubbard Hall in Cambridge and Troy Savings Bank Music Hall.

"It's very important to us as performers that we push the envelope," said Tharp, speaking with an affable charm, sharing her thoughts on the disproportionate incomes between professional athletes and performers. Dancers are the complete athlete, she said. "Move

From left to right, CMF Director of Programming Pam Weisberg, Twyla Tharp, SPAC President and Executive Director Marcia J. White and Proctors CEO Philip Morris

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over Steph Curry."

"We are — well, that is some of us still are — what I call the immortals. And, you — and, now me, I've joined you — are the mortals."

Bessie Award-winning dancer, Shelley Washington, who was in the original cast of "Country Dances," will return to rehearse it.

Tharp will reintroduce a second piece to audiences in June with "Brahms

Paginini." The choreographer describes the work as "quite brutal," demanding unusual physical endurance for its principal dancer. The last of the three dances will be a premiere based on the work of Beethoven.

Opus 133 is a fugue, a type of musical composition Tharp has often worked with. In 1969, she choreographed a work she simply called "The Fugue." With the assistance of an amplified dance floor, the music for the performance was provided by the movements of the

dancers themselves. It's an example of how Tharp believes Beethoven influenced the creative community of the 20th century. It's a piece that speaks to Tharp today. The composition is one of the composer's last. Tharp describes it as a patchwork of elements from throughout his career, something to which she now relates.

"I find myself now in a strange position of every time I do something new, there's also something old back there, that didn't used to be, and now is." When asked how her own body of work will influence the future, she said, "Unfortunately, it's not for me to say."

A member of the audience from the Catskill Mountain Foundation, apparently blessed with having prior knowledge of the day's news, spoke of sharing details about the upcoming community event at

the Schenectady YMCA with a mother and her young daughter. The child begged to attend.

"Well, first of all, she will have the opportunity," Tharp began to respond, before turning to CMF's Director of Programming. "You will make sure that she is in." Weisberg smiled in return, in apparent recognition of the dance master's subtle shift in tone; less inquisitive and more command.

"Believe it or not, I will not be here with you all forever. I realize that," said Tharp. "I do hope to leave some entities that may be of value to future generations of dancers. And, as I go through the repertory I look at a piece and ask, 'Are you worth it?'" "Country Dances" is one I think may be worth it. We're going to look and see, whether we believe that now."



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## ■ WINTER MALE ATHLETE



### ANDREW SISCHO

Guiderland's Andrew Sischo is the Spotlight male athlete for the winter sports season. Sischo averaged 21 points per game to help the Dutchmen finish the season with a 17-5 record and reach the Section 2 Class AA semifinals. Bethlehem hockey player Thomas Liebold was also considered after he posted 15 goals and 17 assists for the Eagles, who finished second in the CDHSHL standings.

## ■ UPCOMING



### Spring preview

As winter gives way to spring weather, The Spotlight will look ahead to baseball, softball and lacrosse season.

## ■ WINTER REVIEW



# Maximum effort

Area teams finish high in the standings.  
but fall short in Sectionals

By **ROB JONAS**  
[jonasr@spotlightnews.com](mailto:jonasr@spotlightnews.com)

**ALBANY COUNTY** — Several area winter teams enjoyed regular season success.

In Bethlehem, the hockey and girls basketball teams finished strong in their respective leagues. The hockey team finished second in the Capital District High School

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Several area teams fared well during the winter season. Bethlehem finished second in the Capital District High School Hockey League standings, while the Voorheesville girls basketball team won the Patriot Division title in the Colonial Council.

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The Bethlehem and Voorheesville boys basketball teams had varying degrees of success in 2015-16. After losing 9 of its first 11 games, Bethlehem bounced back to finish with a 7-14 mark. Meanwhile, Voorheesville tied Lansingburgh for the Patriot Division title before bowing out of Sectionals with a loss to Hudson.

Spotlight file photos

## From page 9 ... Maximum effort

Hockey League standings with a 12-2-0 record, while the girls basketball team placed second in the Suburban Council Blue Division standings with a 14-2 mark.

Unfortunately for them, things fell apart for both teams in the Section 2 playoffs. LaSalle upended Bethlehem 5-2 in the quarterfinals of the Division 1 hockey playoffs, while Columbia surprised Bethlehem 58-43 in the Class AA girls basketball quarterfinals.

Bethlehem's loss to

Columbia ended the stellar career of senior Jenna Giacone. The University of Dayton-bound guard averaged 14.5 points per game in her final season for the Lady Eagles. Giacone was also nominated for the McDonald's All-American team.

Bethlehem's boys basketball team had several hard-luck losses during the regular season. The Eagles lost 11 of their first 13 games, seven of which were by six points or less. Bethlehem battled back to a 7-14 record and a first-

round exit from the Section 2 Class AA playoffs.

Meanwhile, the Guilderland boys basketball team put together another strong season, finishing second behind Section 2 champion Shenendehowa in the Suburban Council Blue Division standings with a 16-1 record. Guilderland reached the Sectional semifinals before losing to Green Tech 57-37.

In Voorheesville, both the boys and girls basketball teams fared well within the Colonial Council. The girls team won the Patriot Division title with a 12-2 league record, while the boys team tied Lansingburgh for the same distinction, as each side finished 12-3.

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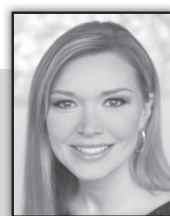


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The Senior Legal Services program, funded by the Albany County Department for Aging, is available to Albany County residents who are age 60 or older.

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The health and wellness program on Friday, March 18, at 1 p.m. at Town Hall, will feature Will Vail, LCSW, Bethlehem Senior Services, who will present "Healing Power of Music." Music can transport you through time, evoke emotions, muster strength and help you find meaning during times of trouble. Come share the power of music. You can join us for lunch before the program at

the Windowbox Café, cost on your own. No reservations are needed to attend just the program alone. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make a lunch reservation and/or arrange transportation.

You can get help with filing New York state and federal income tax returns at Town Hall on Wednesdays, by appointment, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through April 12. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to

make an appointment.

Federal funding (HEAP) is available for income eligible people who need assistance with home heating costs. Outreach workers are available to assist with counseling on HEAP, as well as health insurance, housing issues, food stamps, and health and income related programs. Make an appointment by calling 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Bethlehem Senior Transportation Service provides rides to medical, dental, therapy, and clinic appointments, grocery stores, and a variety of social and recreational programs. Come to the Senior Office in Town Hall for a copy of our newsletter or visit the Senior Services website at [townofbethlehem.org](http://townofbethlehem.org).

— Wilma DeLucco

## Girls night

**G**irls can leave their quiet at home and have some fun after hours at the library on Saturday, March 19, from 5:15 to 7:30 p.m. Girls age 7 and up are invited to come make a fun snack, play Wii games and make a cool craft. Parents are encouraged to stay and have fun, too. No need to register—just bring some friends.

### Cultural enlightenment

On Tuesday, March 22, at 7 p.m., Imam Yaki, first imam of the Islamic Center of the Capital District, will lead an open

### RCS COMMUNITY LIBRARY

conversation about the culture and religion of Islam.

### Frozen water science

On Tuesday, March 22 (it's an early dismissal day from school), bring your kids to the library at 2 p.m. to chill out and channel their inner Elsa or Olaf with some cool kitchen science activities.

### Read more

In a reading slump?

Count on your library to give you a boost. We offer three book discussion groups that meet monthly.

Noontime Books is reading "The Abraham Lincoln Great Pocket Watch Conspiracy" and will meet on March 16 at noon. The Last Tuesday Group will discuss "Florence Gordon" on March 29 at 6 p.m. The Non-Fiction Group has chosen "Our Man in Charleston," to be discussed on March 31 at 7 p.m.

New members are always welcome and copies of the book are available at the library.

— Carol Melewski

## Nina Crews visits

**W**e are thrilled to have critically acclaimed children's book author and illustrator Nina Crews visit us on April 9! She uses photographs and photo collages to create energetic stories about young children. Join us to hear Ms. Crews talk about her books and her art. The children will have the opportunity to create their own bookmarks using Ms. Crews' collage technique. The program will begin at 3:30 p.m. and is for children ages 4 to grade 4, as well as their families. Please register early.



### Selma: The March for Voting Rights

2015 marked 50 years since the landmark civil rights march spearheaded by Martin Luther King. This program, on Wednesday, April 20, will include a showing of the movie, "Selma," followed by a discussion facilitated by Dr. Paul Murray from Siena College, an expert on the civil rights movement. Susan Butler, a civil rights activist who marched during the Selma

to Montgomery event, will share a firsthand account of her experience. The movie will be shown at 5:30 p.m. The discussion will begin at 8 p.m., after a short break at the movie's conclusion. Join us for this special educational program. The program is suitable for high school students and up. Light refreshments will be served.

Registration for all programs can be done at the library, by phone at 765-2791 or online at [www.voorheesvillelibrary.org](http://www.voorheesvillelibrary.org) (click on the event calendar).

— Lynn Kohler

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## LEGAL NOTICE

1491 Saratoga Road LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/4/2015. Office in Albany Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to Joseph W. Zappone, Esq., 6 Century Hill Dr., Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#109993

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**LEGALS**

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): A - Z Builders and Remodelers, LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on July 13, 2015. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: C/O A - Builders and Remodelers, LLC, 483 Joslyn School Road East Berne, NY 12059. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. Ad#110664

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: About That Home LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/17/16. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 121 Bushendorf Rd, Ravena, NY 12143. Ad#111028

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## NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is CAMBRIDGE ROAD PROPERTIES, LLC  
2. The Articles of organization of the Limited Liability Company were filed on March 2, 2016 with the New York Secretary of State.  
3. The office of the Limited Liability Company is located in Albany County.  
4. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served.  
5. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of process served to the Limited Liability Company to 22 Fairway Court, Voorheesville, NY 12186.  
6. The latest date to dissolve is indefinite.  
7. The purpose of the Limited Liability Company is to conduct all lawful activity. Ad#111409

**LEGALS**

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) Name: Cannon Equipment, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on January 15, 2016. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to The LLC, 5 Veteran's Memorial Drive, Green Island, NY 12183. Purpose: Any lawful business purpose. Ad#108411

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

The name of the LLC is Capital Creation Consulting, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on 12/1/2015. The purpose of the LLC is to provide consulting services, and also to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 17 Reynolds Ct, Delmar, NY 12054. Ad#108066

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Notice of Formation of D & E Walker Enterprises, LLC. Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 2/1/16. Office location: Albany County SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon which process against may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 11 Frost Place, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: any lawful activities. Ad#111381

## LEGAL NOTICE

DAVOS ADVISORY GROUP, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/05/16. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be

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served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 421 New Karner Road, Suite 11 Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#107880

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ECOLONG LLC: Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on November 23, 2015. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC at 42 Stonebriar Drive Slingerlands, NY 12159. For any lawful purpose. Ad#107746

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: EdComm NY, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 2/22/16. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 27 Aspinwall Road, Loudonville, NY 12211. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. Ad#110081

## LEGAL NOTICE

ELITE TEST PREP LLC. Filed w/SSNY on 12/22/15. Office: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 54 State St., #103, Albany, NY 12207. Reg. Agent: USA Corporate Services Inc. @ same address. Purpose: all lawful. Ad#111420

## LEGAL NOTICE

EQUINOX ENTERPRISES LLC. Filed w/SSNY on 1/7/16. Office: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 54 State St., #103, Albany, NY 12207. Reg. Agent: USA Corporate Services Inc. @ same address. Purpose: all lawful. Ad#111423

## LEGAL NOTICE

EXCELL CONSTRUCTION LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 3/08/2016. Office in Albany Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 497 E. 138th St., Ste. 5E, Bronx, NY 10454, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#111608

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) The name of the limited liability company is Fixation Technology LLC. The Articles of Organization were filed on February 9, 2016 with the NYS Department of

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State. The County within the State in which the office of the LLC is to be located is Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without this State to which the Secretary of State will mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him or her is c/o 17 Bethwood Drive, Loudonville, NY 12211. There is no specific date upon which the LLC is to dissolve. The purpose of the business of the LLC is any lawful purpose permitted of a limited liability company in the State of New York /s/Stephen M. Farrell, Organizer Ad#109409

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## LEGAL NOTICE

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have a perpetual existence. Xiaokum Wang, ORGANIZER Ad#109491

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NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Integra R&D Holding Company II, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 2/4/16. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 745 Albany Shaker Road, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. Ad#108504

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## LEGAL NOTICE

KENNETH G. SIPPERLY LLC NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 25, 2016. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC to Kenneth G. Sipperly LLC, 81 Latham Ridge Road, Latham, New York 12110. No registered agent. Purpose: for all legal purposes. Ad#110300

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of The Kolodny Group LLC. Arts of Org. filed with New York Secy of State (SSNY) on 2/26/16. Office in Albany Co. SSNY is design. agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 159 Delaware Ave #115, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: Any lawful purpose Ad#110672

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: L. Teator, LLC-Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 2,

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## LEGAL NOTICE

MAF Realty Holdings, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/03/16. Off. loc.: Albany Co. SSNY des. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, c/o Jason Rando, 20 Kirkland Dr., Greenlawn, NY 11740. Purpose: General. Ad#108980

## LEGAL NOTICE

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## LEGAL NOTICE

MBS REAL ESTATE GROUP, LLC. Filed w/SSNY on 12/16/15. Office: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 120 El Camino Sr. #100, Beverly Hills, CA 90212. CA address: 120 El Camino Dr. #100, Beverly Hills, CA 90212. Filed w/SSCA: 1500 11th St. 3 Fl., Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: all lawful. Ad#111436

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NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: MerQuies, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 2/24/16. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 80 State Street, 2nd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. Ad#110082

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of an LLC: Middleburgh Meadows, LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on January 27, 2016. Office location is in Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served, SSNY shall mail

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a copy of Process to the LLC, at 494 Western Turnpike, Altamont, NY 12009. Purpose: for any lawful purpose. Ad#109961

## LEGAL NOTICE

MIFIT HOLDINGS LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 11/28/2012. Office in Albany Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to Northwest Registered Agent, L.L.C., 90 State St., Ste. 700, Office 40, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#108893

## LEGAL NOTICE

NAVR PROPERTIES, LLC, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on January 4, 2011, Office in Schenectady Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Audra M. Passonno, 9423 Western Turnpike, Delanson, NY 12053. Purpose: General Ad#108684

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Orion Demolition & Environmental Services, LLC Articles of Organization filed with the SSNY on 01/19/16 Office location: Albany County SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 49 Wilshire Drive, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose Ad#110667

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of P63, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on December 18, 2015, effective on the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC at United States Corporation Agents, INC, 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn NY 11228. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#109986

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Name: Peaceful Place Doula Services LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 1/28/16. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 19 Squire Road, Schenectady, New York 12304. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#108880



■ COMMUNITY

# Police, fire departments honor their own

Town agencies hand out their police officer, EMS and firemen of the year awards at annual event

By **TRICIA CREMO**  
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**BETHLEHEM** — Service men and women of the year were honored by each of the fire districts, the Delmar-Bethlehem EMS and Bethlehem Police Department at an annual event.

On Monday, March 6, all groups gathered at the Nathaniel Blanchard American Legion Hall in Delmar to honor the individuals chosen as police officer, EMT and fireman of the year of each fire district, as chosen by the chiefs of each organization.

## Bethlehem Police

In a break from tradition, this year Bethlehem Police Chief Lou Corsi chose to recognize the entire agency as a whole “for their continued dedication and professionalism”

“Twenty-five was a challenging year with numerous officers out on job related injuries, which put additional demands on the department to maintain public safety service in the Town of

Bethlehem. Our members have pulled together in an unprecedented way to accomplish our mission. My heartfelt thanks to each member for their service,” said Corsi.

## Delmar-Bethlehem EMS

“We are honoring Elwin McNamara for lifetime work of service in the Town of Bethlehem,” said Steve Kroll, director of Delmar-Bethlehem EMS. “He was one of the very first paramedics in the Town of Bethlehem. He has been a member for many, many years, and spent many years in different leadership positions and served an integral role in the merger of the two EMS services.

## Delmar Fire Department

Michael E. Gervais, a Lieutenant with the Delmar Fire Department and a member of since April of 2001, is this year’s Man of the Year for the Delmar Fire Department.

Gervais’ was chosen for the award based on number of calls responded to, as well as his long career

in the department and enthusiastic demeanor, said his department chief.

“I really like to support my town like the action,” said Gervais. “Every call is important to me. Maybe it’s a friend or someone I don’t know, but they will be friend tomorrow. Some days Gervais responds to six calls a day, mostly during drive time traffic, from 3 to 6 p.m. Most days have fewer, but Gervais said it’s usually a few calls a week. He has had one of the highest response records in the department throughout the past year.

“I call Delmar Fire Department my second family,” he said. “We may all be different ages, at different stages, but when that fire bell goes off, we’re all like glue; we’re a total team.”

Gervais himself is 56, “but I act like I’m 40,” he said with a laugh. Other fire fighters in the 70-person department are as young as 18. “I’ll be here ‘til they have to drag me out,” he added.

## Elsmere Fire Department

Michael Taylor received

the Fireman of the Year Award for the Elsmere Fire Department. Taylor joined the department in 1970, and served as treasurer, vice president and director. He is the eldest of three generations of active members in the Elsmere Fire Company, as his son Steven and grandson Andrew also serves.

“My family and I moved into Alden court in 1970 when there were only six families directly involved with fire department. It was exciting. Now having years of service, I look at it as more of a safety thing, keeping an eye on people. With firefighters, there’s always someone looking out for you,” said Taylor.

## Elmwood/North Bethlehem Fire Department

Frank DeCerce, a recently passed Vietnam veteran, was chosen as man of the year for the Elmwood/North Bethlehem Fire Department. “He was one of commissioners that head been part of the department forever and passed away in January,”



Michael Gervais receives the Delmar Fire Deptmt’s Man of the Year award Monday, March 5, at the Nathaniel Blanchard American Legion Hall in Delmar.

Submitted photo

Chris Fuino, fire chief. “It was a huge loss for the department. He was involved with the Ayre family fire,” which occurred last month and left the six-member family hospitalized in critical condition for weeks. DeCerce’s family accepted the award on his on behalf. Had been with department for over 30 years.

## Selkirk Fire Department

Bill Collins, a local

lawyer, was chosen as the Selkirk Fire Department’s Man of the Year.

“He joined at very late age and became quickly involved,” Chief of Selkirk Fire Department Bill Asprion. “Over the last year he’s show himself to be a leader and hard worker with independence in all situations. He attended our stair climb for cystic fibrosis has just worked very, very hard.”

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LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Postpartisan Public Policy (P3) Consulting, LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on March 9, 2016. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: Franklin Esson Jr., 422 Sand Creek Road, Apt. 428, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. Ad#111631	LLC is to be located in Albany County. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is to the Law Office of Stephen Buckley, P.O. BOX 11627, Albany, NY 12211. Ad#106541 LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Name: Proscenium Data Solutions LLC. Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of New York (SSNY) on 04/29/2015. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process the LLC to: C/O Proscenium Data Solutions LLC, PO Box 12641, Albany, 12212. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad#108708 LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Articles of Organization for RAPP ROAD PROPERTIES OF AL-	BANY, LLC were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on January 27, 2016. The office of the company is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon which process may be served and a copy of process shall be mailed by the Secretary of State to the LLC at Lombardi, Walsh, Davenport & Amodeo, P.C., 187 Wolf Road, Suite 211, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: for any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the law. Ad#108894 LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF FORMATION OF RENAL VENTURE GROUP, LLC On 2/17/16, Articles of Organization of Renal Venture Group, LLC were filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York. The office of the NY limited liability company is located in Albany County. The SSNY is designated as the agent of the	limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the post office address within New York State to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him or her is Renal Venture Group, LLC, 62 Hackett Blvd., Albany, NY 12209. The purpose of the limited liability company is for any lawful business purpose or purposes. Ad#109736 LEGAL NOTICE S.A. JOHNSON FUNERAL HOME LLC. Filed w/SSNY on 1/5/16. Office: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 54 State St., #103, Albany, NY 12207. Reg. Agent: USA Corporate Services Inc. @ same address. Purpose: all lawful. Ad#111421 LEGAL NOTICE SCHURZ 3 LLC. Filed w/SSNY on 12/28/15. Office: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 54 State St., #103, Al-	bany, NY 12207. Reg. Agent: USA Corporate Services Inc. @ same address. Purpose: all lawful. Ad#111417 LEGAL NOTICE SCHURZ 9 LLC. Filed w/SSNY on 12/28/15. Office: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 54 State St., #103, Albany, NY 12207. Reg. Agent: USA Corporate Services Inc. @ same address. Purpose: all lawful. Ad#111419 LEGAL NOTICE Notice of formation of a Limited Liability Company: Security & Technology Solutions LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York on 2/11/16. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: C/O Security & Technology Solutions	bany, NY 12207. Reg. Agent: USA Corporate Services Inc. @ same address. Purpose: all lawful. 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### ■ FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

## Kiss me, I'm Irish

St. Patrick's Day may be a good time to have this conversation. It seems like a day in which people are quick to embrace the Irish heritage, though may not possess an ounce of blood from the Green Isle. Nonetheless, in the United States, the day has become a universal day to party and have fun. Not everyone sees it that way, though, and you should be mindful of that.

We've adopted it for many reasons. One, being the aforementioned designated day to party and act a fool. Another reason, it's the chosen day to express Irish pride, but that would only be half the story. Truly, it's an Irish Catholic day, one in recognition of a man who brought Catholicism to Ireland many centuries ago. But, not everyone in Ireland is Catholic. And, there's a bone of contention there, too, if you're not careful.

Point of the matter is, we often times take one step forward, and another step back, when it comes to our growth as a society. We pride ourselves with having the collective maturity of accepting the differences of other people. Unfortunately, we stick too closely to the attributes that

make us different. "Kiss me, I'm Irish." And, what of those who are not Irish?

Mind you, this is a playful approach to a more serious issue. That which makes us proud of who we are, can keep us apart. It does, especially by those who use it as a means to make our arguments regarding prejudice more credible than another.

Does prejudice exist? It certainly does. But, there are people who make the effort to empathize, to understand and work to be the catalyst behind the change. Those people are not always welcomed. Worse, the other side may even reject the effort by stating it is impossible to relate.

It's not impossible.

Take this editorial, for example. Unlike an article, there is no byline. You do not know the ethnicity, gender or religious background of the person who has penned it. Yet, there are times — hopefully — in which you read something that strikes a chord within you, something to which you can relate. Therein lies a commonality.

We all share more in common with one another than that which makes us unique. Too often, we all focus on what makes

us different; the color of our skins, our ethnicity or our religions. Maybe it started in school.

*Class, what makes Susie special?*

She has red hair.

*Very good.*

No. That's not good. Susie has red hair because of a particular genome. Much of her genetic make-up, however, is very similar to everyone in class. Science says we're only a few generations from sharing a common ancestor. Hate someone for being black? Hate someone for being Muslim? Hate someone because they back Donald Trump?

The society in which we live in now, in this country, is arguably the most open-minded and accepting group in history. Of course, it's impossible to substantiate, and we're not without our shortcomings, but it rings true.

It's also difficult to comprehend this thought as we all swim in political rhetoric geared to separate us between conservative and liberal, as if either approach to thinking is wrong. Neither is wrong.

We're all family. Remember that.

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### ■ GET TO KNOW ...



#### Maggie Moehringer Retired

*Hometown: Bethesda, Md.  
Residence: Glenmont, N.Y.*

#### What have you been listening to lately?

There's a streaming channel on one of the music services that features acoustic indie/roots music. We (my husband/buddy Vince) like that.

#### What have you been reading?

Just finished a couple of books by Julie Otsuka - "When the Emperor was Devine" and "The Buddha in the Attic" - both about Japanese immigrants between the wars and during the internment.

#### What is your favorite show on TV?

"Antiques Roadshow" - the British version.

#### What was the last movie you saw?

"Carol" - we liked Rooney Mara but

were disappointed on the whole.

#### Could you describe what your dream vacation would be?

India with an Indian native, Japan with a Japanese native. However, we are headed to France and are pretty happy about that.

#### What are some of your hobbies?

Gardening eats up pretty much all of my free time between March and November. Otherwise we like to do outdoors-y things.

#### What would your last meal be?

If I knew it was my last meal I don't think I'd be at all interested in eating. Otherwise, there was a sea bass meal in Portugal that I wouldn't mind repeating.

#### Who is the one person (dead or alive) that you would most like to meet?

Hmmm.... Susan B. Anthony, Ann Lee, Neal deGrasse Tyson, Frederic Church.... Could be a really long list.

#### What is your favorite local moment?

The Farmer's Market gives me a warm and fuzzy feeling. And I used to love the high school concerts.

#### What is something you think most people would be surprised to learn about you?

I am sometimes the Five Rivers Owl in the town parades.

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<p>The following students recently graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology:</p> <p>Joseph Cronin of Feura Bush</p> <p>Raelynn Janicke of Selkirk</p> <p>Morgan Moak of Feura Bush</p> <p>...</p> <p>Emily Miron, of Delmar, was named to the dean's list for the fall 2015 semester at the University of Rochester.</p> <p>Pascale Stain, of Delmar, was named to the dean's list for the fall 2015 semester at Washington University.</p> <p>Jordan Brazis-Eberle, of Slingerlands, was named to the dean's list for the fall 2015 semester at Wheaton College.</p> <p>Rebecca Miceli, of Slingerlands, was named to the dean's list for the fall 2015 semester at Wheaton College.</p> <p>...</p> <p>The following people were named to the dean's list of commended students for the fall 2015 semester at the University at Albany:</p>	<p>John Giarrusso of Delmar</p> <p>Marguerite Frey of Feura Bush</p> <p>Allan Northrup of Feura Bush</p> <p>Jessica Hopper of Guilderland</p> <p>Michael Leary of Guilderland</p> <p>John Towne of Guilderland</p> <p>Latasha Burks-Pannell of Schenectady</p> <p>Garrett Hawk of Schenectady</p> <p>Peter Lacagnina of Schenectady</p> <p>Megan O'Brien of Schenectady</p> <p>Ethan Seeley of Schenectady</p> <p>David Silal of Schenectady</p> <p>...</p> <p>The following students were named to the dean's list for the fall 2015 semester at SUNY Geneseo:</p> <p>Luke Gorka of Altamont</p> <p>Laurie Knapp of Altamont</p> <p>Stephanie Leclair of Altamont</p> <p>Sydney Snyder of</p>	<p>Altamont</p> <p>Zachariah Barfield of Delmar</p> <p>Sarah Becker of Delmar</p> <p>Noah Coates of Delmar</p> <p>McKinley Gray of Delmar</p> <p>Victoria Roberts of Delmar</p> <p>Kathryn Seely of Delmar</p> <p>Matthew Viglucci of Delmar</p> <p>Casey Vincelette of Delmar</p> <p>Claire Triller of Glenmont</p> <p>Rachel Britton of Selkirk</p> <p>Conor Kirby of Selkirk</p> <p>Meagan Sullivan of Selkirk</p> <p>Sarina Bevilacqua of Slingerlands</p> <p>Logan Cleary of Slingerlands</p> <p>Francesca DiGiorgio of Slingerlands</p> <p>David Bone of Schenectady</p> <p>Julia Chong of Schenectady</p> <p>Theresa Robert of Schenectady</p> <p>...</p> <p>The following students</p>	<p>were named to the dean's list for the fall 2015 semester at Clarkson University:</p> <p>Melissa Bogart of Voorheesville</p> <p>Brendan Elmore of Schenectady</p> <p>Alexander Macri of Voorheesville</p> <p>Reed Mardon of Selkirk</p> <p>Zachary McNally of Schenectady</p> <p>Phillip Riscica of Voorheesville</p> <p>Thomas Stanton of Feura Bush</p> <p>Owen Talmage of Delmar</p> <p>...</p> <p>The following students were named to the dean's list for the fall 2015 semester at Endicott College:</p> <p>Alexandra Godlewski of Schenectady</p> <p>Mary Palmerino of Glenmont</p> <p>Kevin Rudolph of Delmar</p> <p>Samuel Vincent of Slingerlands</p> <p>...</p> <p>The following students were named to the dean's list for the fall 2015</p>	<p>semester at Marist College:</p> <p>Kourtney Bucklin of Slingerlands</p> <p>Andrew Burns of Slingerlands</p> <p>Emily Burns of Slingerlands</p> <p>James Crowley of Slingerlands</p> <p>Tara D'Andrea of Slingerlands</p> <p>Katie Espinola of Schenectady</p> <p>Shannen O'Brien of Delmar</p> <p>...</p> <p>The following students were named to the dean's list for the fall 2015 semester at Quinnipiac University:</p> <p>Theresa Bonanno of Delmar</p> <p>Casey Briscoe of Delmar</p> <p>Robert Wildermuth of Delmar</p> <p>Christopher Sour of Guilderland</p> <p>Katarina Miley of Schenectady</p> <p>Mikaela Arena of Selkirk</p> <p>Carlee Nussbaum of Slingerlands</p> <p>Jacob Sturn of Slingerlands</p>	<p>...</p> <p>The following students were named to the dean's honors list for the fall 2015 semester at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute:</p> <p>Anton Andriyanov of Delmar</p> <p>Victoria Buehler of Delmar</p> <p>Alexandra Cunningham of Voorheesville</p> <p>Jennifer Ding of Slingerlands</p> <p>Zachary Frangella of Delmar</p> <p>Alison Goldsmith of Slingerlands</p> <p>Amanda Lewis of Delmar</p> <p>Kathryn Liotta of Schenectady</p> <p>Matthew Scatena of Slingerlands</p> <p>Anna Schneggenburger of Glenmont</p> <p>Bhagyashree Subramaniam of Slingerlands</p> <p>Anthony Tate of Schenectady</p> <p>Morgan Ten Eyck of Altamont</p> <p>Matthew Van Wie of Clarksville</p> <p>Thomas Wainwright of Delmar</p>
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Bethlehem's water filtration plan on Clapper Road.

Spotlight file photo

## From page 1 ... Fixes to come in time

explained - a fact the town has been open about. And due to water treatment facility upgrades made that same year, "system-wide overall THM levels have been decreasing in the past few years, and we're only aiming to do better."

Yet, with water crisis happening across the country, water quality concerns are at an all-time high.

"My problem is what is coming into my bowling center, into our day care centers, into the produce aisle is not a good thing right now," said Marvin Sans, owner of Del Lanes bowling alley on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

The town has made efforts to fix the problem, he admitted, but "whatever you're doing is not working," he said.

"Over the long haul I don't know if this thing causes cancer. No one in my family has ever had cancer, and in 2003 I did, and I've been there since 1974. So, I would just like to know what we can do in my area to fix the problem," concluded Sans.

At both Wemple Road and Delaware Avenue, water quality concerns stem from situations where water is allowed to stay stagnant in pipes for long periods of time, allowing chemical compounds to build up.

"Your area back there is one of the main trouble spots and not THMs," said Kansas to Sans. "Basically, you have a dead end main, which will require a new pipe network with more loops, allowing greater water flow. We tried flushing the hydrants, looked at

automatic flushing valves on a timer, but even then it's a question of will it be enough, so really is an issue of improving the piping back there because it is a dead end," said Kansas.

THMs are disinfection byproducts created when chlorine (a disinfectant used in 70 percent of municipalities) interacts with organic materials, like leaves and algae. Over \$10 million will be paid over the next 30 years to make upgrades to the town's water system, addressing a number of issues, including THMs.

Since the 1970s, when the health risk of THMs was discovered, DEC has been reducing amounts allowed in systems. Levels were previously tested based on a system-wide average.

But, when stricter guidelines were introduced in 2013, two of four testing sites were over the limit for roughly six months, as the New Salem water plant upgrades, made in that same year, took effect.

The Wemple Road sampling site, meanwhile, has been over the limit on THMs for the past three years.

"I cannot stress this enough. This is not the same situation that you're hearing about in Hoosick Falls, in Flint, Michigan," said DPW Commissioner Kansas. "One was an industrial pollutant, and the other was due to decaying lead pipes. Most all water systems have THMs have some level, and they do not pose any immediate health risks."

To address the problem, Kansas said his department is "already flushing

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Department of  
Public Works (DPW)  
Commissioner

the system for overall water quality, improving hydraulic water monitoring and valve operations" in addition to improvements at the two treatment plants.

"Both our facilities are getting old," said Kansas. "Our New Salem facility was built in the 1950s and Clapper Road was built in the 1990s. Most mechanical systems you bank on a 20-year, 30-year life so even that's getting relatively old for a treatment plant."

Planning for Clapper Road improvements began in 2010, were delayed in 2011 due to cost of repair for Hurricane Irene devastation, capital commitments were made in 2012 and the design phase is underway, and construction will begin next year. Construction is scheduled to be completed in 2019.

"We're looking at other options, quick fixes - we are not putting all our eggs in one basket and are continuing to look this issue," said Kansas on THMs.

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