

NEWSLINE

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The Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce supports our members and our region as a partner for business, workforce, and tourism development.

CHAMBER ANNOUNCES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIBBON-CUTTING EVENTS HELP CELEBRATE NEW BUSINESSES, RENOVATIONS AND MORE!



The Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce the appointment of MaryBeth Shults as its new Executive Director, effective June 2, 2025. Shults was most recently the Chamber's Director of Membership and Community Outreach. She succeeds Anne Boles, who led the organization since June of 2023.

A native of Montgomery County,

MaryBeth Shults brings a deep-rooted commitment to the Mohawk Valley and a lifelong passion for supporting local communities. Raised in a multi-generational farming family, Shults grew up immersed in the values of hard work, sustainability, and collaboration principles that will guide her leadership of the Chamber. "MaryBeth's diverse marketing experience, unique agribusiness background, and strong ties to our region make her an ideal leader for this next chapter," said Geoff Peck, Chairman of the Chamber Board of Directors and head of the Search Committee. "Her vision for economic growth, paired with a heartfelt dedication to community, will be invaluable as we continue to serve our members and promote the prosperity of Fulton and Montgomery Counties."

Shults holds an associate's degree in Dairy Production and a bachelor's degree in Agricultural Business from SUNY Cobleskill. In addition to her professional qualifications, she is a devoted mother of three, balancing family life with her passion for strengthening local food systems and supporting small farms.

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"I am honored and excited to step into this role," said Shults. "The Chamber plays a vital part in the success of our region's economy, and I look forward to working alongside local businesses and community leaders to build on the strong foundation Anne Boles has established."

The Chamber extends its sincere gratitude to Anne Boles for her outstanding service and leadership and welcomes MaryBeth Shults as she takes the helm. The Chamber is actively searching for a new Director of Membership and Community Outreach.



Above: Mildred Elley, a career college in Albany with campuses in NYC and Pittsfield, MA, opened their new extension campus in Amsterdam at 27 Wall Street on May 8. This campus will facilitate regional students interested in healthcare careers. Mildred Elley thanked the staff of the Amsterdam Housing Authority along with partners at St. Mary's Healthcare and Nathan Littauer Hospital, among other collaborators. For more information contact Andrew Slezak, Amsterdam Site Director aslezak@mildredelley.edu.

Below: Schine Memorial Hall shareholders and tenants, Gloversville officials, Chamber staff, Board members and Ambassadors all came together to celebrate the renovations to the third floor of the building located at 26-40 Main Street in Gloversville. The renovations included the formation of the Memorial Hall Cultural & Arts Center, focused on creating a museum showcasing local culture, arts and industry along with an artists work space. The \$411,00 renovations were covered by the NYS Downtown Revitalization Grant (DRI) and \$65K pledged by Schine Memorial Hall.

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Message from the Executive Director

I am excited to be the new Executive Director of your Chamber. As we experience growth and renewed direction, I'm reminded of something important: while we're embracing change, the strength of our foundation remains unwavering. The Chamber's mission—to support, connect, and advocate for our local businesses—continues to be the backbone of everything we do.

Even as we look to modernize our systems, streamline our operations, and roll out new initiatives, the relationships, trust, and shared goals that bind our members together are stronger than ever. We're building upon what already works, adding structure and tools that will help us grow with purpose.

I am looking forward to working with a team that I have grown to admire. Please continue to reach out to these staff members for whatever you may need:

- Jennifer Hammons—
 projects@fultonmontgomeryny.org. Please
 connect with Jennifer for general Chamber
 information, to RSVP to events, for information about events, Chamber Checks, and
 more
- Nicole Walrath-VanAlstyne—Director of Workforce Development, nicolew@fultonmontgomeryny.org. Nicole is the person to contact about our Business Education Program, mentoring, internships, PTECH, CTE (Career Technical Education), social media, website
- Natalie May—Business & Education Partnership Coordinator, nataliem@fultonmontgomeryny.org. Contact Natalie with questions about PTECH, CTE, internships, mentorships, etc.

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Welcome New Members

May 2025



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service. The company is headquartered at the Mayfield
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Gloversville

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- Terry Swierzowski—Newsline Editor/ Reporter, newsline@fultonmontgomeryny.org. Connect with Terry about the newsletter, or provide her with news for the publication about your business, your employees, etc.
- Mark Bolebruch—
 finance@fultonmontgomeryny.org. Mark
 takes care of accounts payable and accounts
 receivable, financial reporting and payroll.

Finally, please reach out directly to me with any questions you may have, help you may need, advocacy, Chamber committees, sponsorships for any event or Chamber Champions, etc. I have an Open Door policy for all of our Chamber members—if you need me, reach out. We can meet in our office, or I can meet with you at your business. Contact me at (518) 725-0641 or email me at marybeth@fultonmontgomeryny.org.

Looking ahead, summer is shaping up to be full of ribbon cuttings, member highlights, and collaboration opportunities that will bring our regional business community even closer together. If you're not sure where you fit in, or how to make the most of your membership—just ask. Let's have the conversation.

We are evolving—and you're part of it. Let's continue being a Chamber that reflects the strength, innovation, and spirit of Fulton and Montgomery Counties.

MaryBeth Shults Executive Director



Chamber staff poses together on Anne's last day, from left Jennifer, MaryBeth, Anne and Natalie.



MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES May 2025

Thank you for your continued support!



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Noble ACE Hardware—47 SF Fabrics, LLC—46 Nathan Littauer Hospital & Nursing Home—45 House of Pizza—41 Century Linen & Uniform—41

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Lapland Lake Nordic Vacation Center—40 Mayfield Central School District—33 Walmart-Gloversville—33 Epimed International, Inc.—31 CDL Associates Insurance Agency, LLC—Johnstown—4
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NYS NEEDS TO ACT NOW TO ADDRESS THE \$9 BILLION UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DEBT THAT CONTINUES TO HURT BUSINESSES

New York State needs to act now to address its \$9 billion unemployment insurance (UI) debt, which has been a significant burden on employers, particularly small businesses. The debt stems from increased UI claims during the COVID-19 pandemic, leading to state-mandated business shutdowns and layoffs. While many other states have used federal pandemic relief funds to address their UI debt, New York has not, leaving the full burden of repayment on employers through increased taxes.

Here's a more detailed look at the situation:

The Debt's Origin:

New York borrowed \$9.2 billion from the federal government in 2022 to continue paying UI benefits during the pandemic. This was due to increased unemployment claims resulting from state-mandated business closures and layoffs.

Impact on Businesses:

The UI debt has led to higher employer tax rates, placing a significant financial strain on businesses, especially small businesses.

Other States' Actions:

Many other states, including 35 that have paid off their federal advances, have used federal relief funds or state general revenue to address their UI debt.

Proposed Solutions:

Several options have been suggested to address the debt, including using state funds to pay off the debt, allocating federal pandemic aid, or implementing progressive taxation of employers to reduce the tax burden.

Current Budget:

In May 2025, Governor Hochul signed the FY 2026 budget, which included \$8 billion to pay off the UI debt and contribute to the UI trust fund. This action will reduce employer contributions, saving businesses an average of \$100 per employee in 2026 and \$250 per employee in 2027.

NFIB's Advocacy:

The <u>National Federation of Independent Business</u> (<u>NFIB</u>) has been a leading advocate for New York to use its own funds to pay off the debt, rather than relying on increased employer taxes.

BCNYS Advocacy:

The Business Council of NY State is calling on all small businesses to tell New York State to use its federal assistance to lower the unemployment insurance debt. The BCNYS has a form on its Advocacy Campaign page that's easy to fill out and can be sent directly to your legislators. It can be found https://www.bcnys.org/advocacy-campaigns-0

Find more information about this issue on the BCNYS website here.

Benefits for Workers:

The FY 2026 budget also includes legislation to increase the maximum weekly benefit rate for unemployed workers from \$504 to \$869.

MESSAGE FROM SAM FISHER, CHAMBER INTERN

Hello Chamber Members! You may have noticed me around the Chamber offices or at some events over the past few months—now I'd like to take a moment to for-

mally introduce myself.

My name is Sam Fisher.
Born and raised in New
York City, I recently
moved up to the Capital
Region in September 2024
to attend the Transitions
program in Mayfield at the
Paul Nigra Center for Creative Arts. This move
comes after attending the
Summit School in Queens,
New York, and Adelphi
University in Garden City,
where I got my degree in
English, creative writing.

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I came to Transitions last September because

after graduating, I sort of floundered at home. I got stuck in the rut of job searching, working for family friends for a couple of months, doing more job searching, all without really finding my career. Coming to Transitions has allowed me to take the independent skills I knew in theory and really put them into practice. I theoretically knew how to keep a house clean, how to grocery shop for myself, and how to live on a budget. But I never had to actually put it into practice.

As part of the Transitions program, I got an internship at the Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce. As part of the internship, I did a lot of the things I was doing when working for family friends after college, but before moving up to the Capital Region. It was a lot of office clerical work, doing the job that needed to get done, but that always got lost in the shuffle of the day-to-day. Pretty soon after the internship started, executive director Anne Boles started taking me out into the community and letting me contribute to Chamber events.

I spent time at the Allen House at SUNY Fulton-Montgomery Community College, where I helped promote Keep Mohawk Beautiful clean up efforts as well as Gloversville's cleanup day on April 16. I helped set up the business expo at the Johnstown Moose Lodge and helped set up a job fair at a local high school. Doing all these things, going out into our region, really helped me get the lay of the land. It also gave me new insight into a different way of living. Being from New York City, there are certain aspects of life I hadn't considered growing up in an urban environment, like the need for a personal well, or the logistics of managing large-scale recycling.

As my time at the Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce comes to a close, I want to thank Anne Boles and Transitions for the opportunities. I hope to see Chamber members when I am out around our region.

THE ARC LEXINGTON APPOINTS JESSICA HANSEN AS CHIEF OF DEVELOPMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS



The Arc Lexington is proud to announce the appointment of Jessica Hansen as its new Chief of Development and Partnerships for the Lexington Foundation. In this newly created role, Hansen will lead all aspects of fundraising and donor engagement, while also developing strategic business partnerships that create meaning-

ful internship and employment opportunities for students in the organization's nationally recognized <u>Transitions</u> program. Her work will play a key role in advancing the long-term sustainability of the Lexington Foundation and in expanding life-changing opportunities for the people with disabilities served by The Arc Lexington.

"Jessica's appointment marks a pivotal step forward for the Lexington Foundation," said Shaloni Winston, CEO of The Arc Lexington. "Her deep expertise in development and partnerships will not only strengthen our fundraising efforts, but also open new doors for the young adults we serve. Jessica understands the power of connection and community, and I am confident she will help elevate our mission to new heights."

Hansen brings more than 25 years of experience in nonprofit leadership and development. Most recently, she served as Chief Advancement Officer at the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York, where she led a \$23.5 million capital campaign and exceeded annual fundraising goals by 20 percent. Previously, she was Chief Development Officer at Ritter Center in Marin County, California, managing a \$7.9 million campaign supporting underserved communities.

She holds a Master of Nonprofit Administration from the University of San Francisco and is recognized for her collaborative leadership style, strategic mindset, and commitment to mission-driven work. The Lexington Foundation supports the work of The Arc Lexington and its programs, including Transitions, a premier program for young adults with autism and learning differences that provides pathways to college success, meaningful careers, and independent living.

To contact Jessica, please call (518) 752-5759 or email hansenj@thearclexington.org.





AMSTERDAM ROTARY CLUB RECEIVES AWARD; WILL PRESENTS ITS VARIETY SHOW THIS MONTH

The Amsterdam Rotary Club received the Diane G. Snell Humanitarian Award, presented by the Montgomery County Office for Aging, Inc. at the OFA's May 25 Awards Celebration and dinner. The Diane G. Snell Humanitarian Award recognizes those persons who emulate the caring and compassion that Diane, a registered nurse with St. Mary's Hospital Mobile Geriatric Outreach Program, showed to her clients and colleagues alike

This recognition reflects the dedication of their members to the Rotary motto: Service Above Self.

Rotary says of this award, "A heartfelt thank you to the OFA for this incredible honor — and to all of our partners who work alongside us to create positive change. We remain committed to continuing our mission of service, compassion, and community impact." To find out more about the Amsterdam Rotary Club, please visit them online on their website, on Facebook, or email them through their Contact Us page on their website.

The Amsterdam Rotary Variety Show is scheduled for June 13 and 14th at Amsterdam High School (140 Saratoga Avenue) with performances at 7pm. Tickets are available for this "British Invasion" at the St. Mary's Hospital Gift Shop, Montgomery County Clerk's office, Mountain Valley Hospice, SFCU, Montgomery County OFA among other outlets. Tickets are \$10 in advance, and \$12 at the door. Tickets can also be ordered via Eventbrite. A show not to be missed that stars many of your favorite Rotarians!



ST. MARY'S HEALTHCARE OPENS CHARLTON FAMILY HEALTH AND SPECIALTY CENTER

New, convenient location for comprehensive health care

With the opening of Charlton Family Health and Specialty Center, St. Mary's Healthcare brings primary care, laboratory and other specialty services to a new, convenient location.



The center, at the intersection of Routes 67 and 147, offers primary care for patients of all ages and walk-in lab services five days a week. Specialists in general surgery, pulmonology and

gastroenterology will also have a presence at this location, where St. Mary's previously operated an urgent care center.

"We saw an opportunity to rethink our strategy for Charlton and put an existing asset to better use for that community—to increase access to services that have not been readily available here," said Matt Guzielek, senior director of medical group operations at St. Mary's.

St. Mary's closed the urgent care center during the COVID-19 pandemic due in part to staffing and other pandemic-related challenges. The building has remained "dark" ever since.

"Given our prior investments at this site, we were committed to bringing the building back online, with the right mix of services," said Jeff Methven, St. Mary's president and CEO. "We believe this new business model is sustainable and fills a care gap in this part of our region."

The new Charlton center is the latest example of St. Mary's emphasis on investments in services that drive growth, enhance patient satisfaction, and better serve the region. In the past two years, St. Mary's has added programs, providers and associates, and has invested in services facilities, technology and people.

"We are extremely familiar with the challenges facing today's community hospitals, but we also are confident in our ability to grow past these challenges over the long term," Methven said. "Already, we're seeing progress. Volumes are up almost across the board as more and more patients choose St. Mary's for their care."

Charlton Family Health and Specialty Center is located at 2370 State Highway 67 in Charlton and is open Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The center is accepting new primary care patients. For an appointment, call (518) 839-0606.



RICMAR PRINT & DESIGN RELOCATES IN DOWNTOWN GLOVERSVILLE



Ricmar Design & Print Services is relocating its shop/offices from 30 S. Main Street to 31 N. Main Street in Gloversville. They reopened for business is their new location on May 27. Owner/operator Krissy Gilmore has been looking for a forever home for her shop, and has finally found one! Please stop by and take a

quick tour and welcome Ricmar to their new location!

MOHAWK HARVEST COOPERATIVE MARKET REDESIGNS SPACES Stop in to have a look at what's new!

Volunteers at Mohawk Harvest Cooperative Market in downtown Gloversville, 30 N. Main Street, have been busy over the last two months redesigning and redoing its spaces to better serve its customers and display all they have to offer. Two years ago they began this process by moving the front of the store for appearance and functionality. The back of the store has new additions and they continue to add new products there with every order. There is new shelving and racks to accommodate growth and this positive change. Stop in to see the changes, find your favorite products and see all of the new additions. The Co-op would like to thank everyone that helped and to all of the customers that still frequented the store during the changes while they were making more room to serve you.



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Chamber Member News

LIBERTY FOUNDATION'S 31ST ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT – Thursday, June 5th at Antlers Country Club

Liberty Foundation is thrilled to bring back their golf tournament for 2025. There is no better way to kick off the warmer weather than spending it out on the green with friends, while supporting a great cause! All of the elements that make this the area's BEST golf event are back this year – the games, food stations on the course, prizes, gift items, and more! Golfers and sponsors are sure to have a great time while raising money to benefit people with disabilities supported by Liberty ARC. For sponsorship questions, please reach out to Sarah Stygles at stygless@libertyarc.org in Liberty ARC's Public Relations & Development Department. Register golfers/teams/sponsors here.

ST. MARY'S HEALTHCARE RECEIVES \$3.2 MILLION FROM MOTHER CABRINI HEALTH FOUNDATION UNDER \$51 MIL-LION "NURSING INITIATIVE" PROGRAM FOR SAFETY-NET HOSPITALS

St. Mary's Healthcare will receive a \$3.2 million "Nursing Initiative" grant under a new Mother Cabrini Health Foundation program that will invest \$51 million to support nursing excellence and innovation, improve work culture, and enhance patient care in New York hospitals that serve high-need patients.

The St. Mary's grant is one of 13 announced today by the Foundation, New York's largest grantmaking organization focused on improving the health and well-being of vulnerable communities. A first-of-its-kind investment, the new Nursing Initiative is designed to empower nursing professionals, reduce burnout, address workforce shortages and improve patient care in safety-net hospitals.

The Nursing Initiative program stems from the Mother Cabrini Health Foundation's ongoing commitment to bolster the health care workforce across New York State. The grant program will help hospitals achieve industry-leading frameworks in nursing excellence, establish innovative programs to support front-line nurses, and help recent nurse graduates transition into the profession.

Each hospital will receive \$1 million to \$5 million over five years to pursue American Nursing Credentialing Center (ANCC) Magnet Recognition or Pathway to Excellence status, driving nursing excellence and health care transformation. The grant will also assist hospitals to establish or expand virtual nursing and nurse residency programs.

Ultimately, the \$51 million initiative will support more than 6,500 nurses statewide and positively impact care for more than 7 million outpatient visits annually.

The 13 Mother Cabrini Health Foundation Nursing Initia-

tive grant recipients are:

Auburn Community Hospital - Auburn

- Calvary Hospital Bronx
- Mercy Hospital, Catholic Health System of Long Island - Rockville Centre
- Champlain Valley Physicians Hospital Medical Center
 Plattsburgh
- Columbia Memorial Health Hudson
- Montefiore Medical Center Bronx
- Our Lady of Lourdes Memorial Hospital Binghamton
- Rome Memorial Hospital Rome

- Samaritan Hospital and the Eddy Foundation Albany
- St Mary's Healthcare Amsterdam
- St. Barnabas Hospital Bronx
- St. John's Riverside Hospital Yonkers
- United Health Services Hospitals Binghamton Grantees were selected from among a group of more than 50 hospitals that applied through a competitive request for proposals. The extensive selection process, which included visits with hospital leadership, was aimed at developing a portfolio of grantees representing a diversity of hospital sizes and geographies across New York State.

The Mother Cabrini Health Foundation developed the Nursing Initiative following the findings of its healthcare workforce report with the Center for Health Workforce Studies in Albany. The report found major factors that contribute to persistent RN shortages including challenges with new RN preparedness, unsupportive work environments, workplace violence, burnout, the experience gap created by retirement of older nurses, and generational differences in career expectations that impact nurse tenure at hospitals. In addition, according to data referenced in the report, 15% of hospital patient care RNs between the ages of 20 and 39 reported plans to leave their current position within the next 12 months, underscoring the urgency of addressing these challenges.

To address these challenges holistically, the new Mother Cabrini Nursing Initiative will help hospitals pursue Pathway to Excellence or Magnet accreditations—industry-recognized frameworks that set leading standards of nursing excellence. In addition, funding supports virtual nursing and nurse residency programs. More details below:

- Pathway to Excellence administered by the ANCC, this program recognizes health care organizations that foster a supportive and empowering workplace for nurses. The program emphasizes shared decision-making, leadership, safety, quality, well-being and professional development. Achieving this status is a mark of distinction recognized worldwide.
- Magnet Recognition awarded by the ANCC, is a prestigious designation for health care organizations that demonstrate excellence in nursing practice and patient care. Magnet-recognized organizations are known for providing high-quality patient care, resulting in better patient outcomes, lower error rates and fewer health careacquired infections.
- Nurse Residency Program designed to help new nursing graduates transition smoothly into professional practice. These programs provide structured learning experiences, combining classroom instruction with clinical practice. They offer mentorship and support from experienced nurses, which helps new nurses build confidence and reduce stress. They also increase job satisfaction and reduce turnover rates by fostering a supportive work environment.
- Virtual Nursing a flexible and innovative approach to health care delivery, especially in times of workforce challenges. Front-line nurses benefit from virtual nursing models through increased support, reduced administrative workload, and enhanced mentorship from experienced virtual nurses. Virtual nurses can assist with tasks like admissions, discharges and patient education, while allowing front-line nurses to dedicate more time to direct patient care.

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THE ARC LEXINGTON PRESENTS TWO GOLF TOURNAMENTS IN JUNE

The Arc Lexington and Legacy of Love, an organization that raises funds for people supported by The Arc Lexington in Schoharie County are presenting their golf tournaments in June. If you register to play at both tournaments, there is a discounted rate for each.

OPPORTUNI-TEE GOLF TOURNAMENT hosted by Legacy of Love is scheduled for Friday, June 6 at Cobleskill Golf and Country Club, 2322 State Highway 7, Cobleskill. Registration begins at 10:30am, lunch at 11am and shotgun start at 11:30am. Format is a fourperson scramble and \$125 per person/\$400 per foursome includes greens fees, cart, golf gift, lunch, snacks and appetizers. Register today with Tammy Ruise at (518) 702-4515 or email Tammy at ruiset@thearclexington.org THE LEXINGTON GOLF TOURNAMENT is scheduled for Friday, June 13 at Hales Mills Country **Club in Johnstown**. Registration for this tournament is at 8am with a shotgun start at 9am and format is a 4person scramble. The \$125 tournament fee includes greens fees, cart, golf gift, specialty drink holes, breakfast and lunch, and snacks and beverages on the course. Contests and games include Skins, Closest to the Pin, Closest to the Line, Hole-in-One contests and more! To participate, contact Lynette May at (518) 661-9932 or MayL@thearclexington.org. To sponsor either of these tournaments, contact Jessica Hansen at hansenj@thearclexington.org or call (518) 752-5750.

CAROGA HISTORICAL MUSEUM JUNE / JULY EVENTS

The Caroga Historical Museum will host a gallery opening reception on June 26 at the museum, 145 London Bridge Road, Caroga Lake, from 7 pm to 9 pm. The reception is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be provided.

The featured artist is Randy Fredlund. Randy's exhibit, "Our Place and Neighbors", contains a collection of imag-

es captured over multiple years. Most have been shot in Fulton County during paddling or hiking excursions, or even around the house. The few that are taken in other locations are pictures of cousins of "neighbors" who reside nearby. Randy notes that no photo is worth anything until it is shared. This is particularly true of wildlife and nature photography. The opportunity to experience nature "up close and



Randy Fredlund shooting photos from canoe.

personal" is far too limited for most people, so striving to share with others that which they would not normally encounter is the goal. While nature photography can be limited by equipment and photographic technique, it is more often defined by opportunity. It matters not if you are a great photographer if you are never in the right places to point your camera at the eagle when he flies over. We hope you enjoy the images and share the excitement he felt when in the fortunate circumstance to capture them.

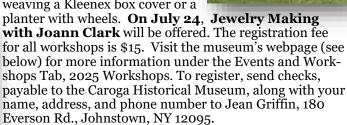
The annual **Artisan and Vendor Fair** will be on **July 12 from 10 am to 3 pm**. The event will feature a wide variety of vendor booths, including many returning favorites and several new vendors. In addition, there will be a bake sale and raffles with the drawings for the raffles held at 2 pm. Food services are being provided by Big'n Cheesy from 11 am to 3 pm. Stewart's make your own ice cream sundaes, and our Arcade popcorn will also be available. Music will be provided by Josh Clevenstine, an Adirondack folk singer, from 11 to 2. We hope you will join us for this fun-filled day.

On **July 22**, the museum will feature **an evening of contra/barn dancing** from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. The museum is pleased to have Anita Mason returning as caller with her husband, Pat Mason, providing the music for the evening. Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable shoes for dancing on the lawn. Ice cream sundaes will be served at the conclusion of the dancing. In the event of rain, this event will be rescheduled to August 5.

On July 31 from 7 pm to 9 pm, the museum kicks off the Kane Mountain Fire Tower Centennial

with a gallery opening reception with refreshments for the exhibit "100 Years on Top: The Kane Mountain Fire Tower." The exhibit has been curated by Allen Farber and Dick Loomis and features the photographs of Debi Tebano. Local dignitaries will be on hand to commemorate the occasion. The exhibit runs from July 31 through August 31.

The museum offers the following workshops during the 2025 season. **Basket Weaving with Colleen Mosenthin** is offered on **July 17 and August 24**. Participants will have the option of weaving a Kleenex box cover or a



The Caroga Historical Museum is open Thursdays through Sundays from 1 to 4 pm starting June 27 through September 1. All events are held on the museum grounds at 145 London Bridge Rd. in Caroga Lake. For further information on the events and workshops, please visit the museum's website at www.carogamuseum.org.

VETERANS TIME TO THRIVE HOSTS GOLF TOURNEY

Friday, June 13 is the date for the tournament at Amsterdam Municipal Golf Course. Registration at 10am; start at 11:20am. There will be food, drinks, 50/50, and entertainment by DJ Mike Garrasi....and you can win a Porsche in their hole-in-one contest. To preregister, visit www.vt-3.org or call (518) 246-0736.

SARATOGA ARTS ANNOUNCES EXCEPTIONAL GIFT TOWARDS BUILDING RENOVATION

Saratoga Arts is excited to announce a \$300,000 gift from Stewart's Shops and the Dake Family towards its ongoing Capital Campaign to support the renovations at its Broadway location. The Board of Directors and staff are grateful to Stewart's and the Dake Family for their generosity to bolster Saratoga Arts' ongoing efforts to renovate its space and continue the organization's growth into the future. "This exceptional gift comes at a critical time for Saratoga Arts and the construction project. Over the past several months, through board member gifts, local foundation and key donor contributions, we have experienced incredible community support. These contributions ensure that we can sustain the organization while the building is un-



der renovation and that our construction timeline stays on track," says Amy Bloom, Executive Director. Other funding for the project comes

from the City of Saratoga Springs, who owns the historical building, and New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) through a Capital Project grant. This partnership reflects a strong regional commitment to revitalizing the Saratoga Arts building and to revitalizing the arts, arts education, and creative opportunities in our region.

The \$2M project is focused on modernizing the gallery, upgrading the Dee Sarno Theater, while also improving the lower-level classroom spaces and providing direct access to Congress Park and a future patio. It will also stabilize the building's HVAC systems, install energy-efficient windows, address drainage and roofing issues, and upgrade power, wiring and lighting systems throughout the building. "I couldn't be more excited about the upcoming changes and improvements to our building," says Allan Weatherwax, Saratoga Arts' Board President, "We are look forward to reopening at the end of 2025 and inviting our membership and the larger community to celebrate in the new space."

While the building is under construction, Saratoga Arts is holding classes at several off-site locations on Beekman Street including CREATE Studio and the Community Room behind the Eden Compton Studio. Summer programming for kids will be held at the Saratoga Independent School from June 30th through August 15th. Art in the Park returns to Saratoga on Saturday May 24th from 10am-4pm in Congress Park, showcasing over 90 local artists, food vendors and musicians and providing a funfilled day for everyone in the community.

For more information about Saratoga Arts and the building renovation, please visit saratoga-arts.org or contact Amy Bloom, Executive Director, at abloom@saratoga-arts.org

RIBBON CUTTING PHOTOS (cont. from cover)

Below: <u>Stump City Brewing</u>, 521 W. Fulton Street in Gloversville, celebrated renovations to its indoor bar/seating areas (added 20 seats) and the new outdoor patio/stage for entertainment, with a ribbon-cutting event on May 16.



Below: <u>OB1 Insurance Agency</u> celebrated its new renovated building at a ribbon-cutting event on May 29. Owner Mike O'Brien (with scissors) poses with his staff, brokers, Chamber Ambassadors and staff at OB1 at 2441 State Highway 30 in Mayfield. The new building is 2400 sf., has two floors and houses conference rooms, six staff offices, offices for brokers, training space, a gym and more. OB1 Insurance Agency specializes in Medicare insurance, group and individual health insurance, ancillary products (accident and cancer insurance), and offers competitive rates on auto and home insurance. Contact OB1 for competitive quotes - Call (518) 661-6300 or email denise@ob1insurance.com.





Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber Golf Classic Friday, September 12, 2025

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marybeth@fultonmontgomeryny.org

Our golf tournament is fast approaching (see above information)! There are many ways to promote your business through this popular event. Use it as a day to thank customers, or key employees by having them golf and spend the day on the course with fellow Chamber members. Or you and/or your team can volunteer on the day of the tournament. There are also sponsorship opportunities available at many different levels.

For a golf registration form, or information about how your business can sponsor the event, please access the form here. If you have any questions or need additional information please call the Chamber!

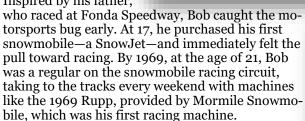
THE RIDE OF A LIFETIME: THE STORY OF SANDERS MOTORSPORTS

Nestled on State Highway 67 in Johnstown, New York, Sanders Motorsports is more than just a motorsports shop—it's the embodiment of a lifelong passion, a tribute

to hard-earned experience, and the product of decades of dedication by founder Bob Sanders.

From Racer to Retailer

Bob Sanders' journey into motorsports began in the most natural way: through family and fascination. Inspired by his father,



Throughout the 1970s, Bob immersed himself in the racing culture of the Northeast, particularly in Boonville, one of the premier racing locations in the region. But Bob wasn't just a racer—he was also a student of the industry. He worked for several well-known names in motor-

sports, including Mormile Snowmobile, Dick Weedle's Suzuki dealership in Tribes Hill, and the Honda dealership owned by Joe Herba, where he spent nearly a decade honing his craft.

Mentors played a major role in shaping Bob's career. He credits individuals like Doc Cepula of Polaris in Amsterdam, Chuck and Mickey Dwyer in Johnstown, and motorsports veterans Bud Heck and John Daly of Alpin Haus with helping build his knowledge and work ethic. Even a brief stint with Villanueva-Alouette in Canada added to his growing resume, despite the company folding shortly after he joined.

Building a Dream from the Ground Un

In October of 1986, after years of working for others and building strong relationships across the industry, Bob took a leap of faith and started Sanders Motorsports. "I started with ten spark plugs, three snowmobile belts, and three light bulbs," he recalls with a smile. His inventory was minimal, but the network he had cultivated over the years was anything but. Friends, fellow racers, former coworkers, and distributors came through, helping him get the new venture off the ground.

His first location was a modest building on Route 161 in Glen. As the business grew, Bob made a bold move and purchased land on Highway 67, just west of Fulton-Montgomery Community College. In 2001, he completed the current Sanders Motorsports facility—a welcoming service shop and store that stands as a symbol of his com-

mitment to motorsports and the local community.

Shifting Gears: Trackside Expansion

Sanders Motorsports experienced its heyday before the rise of e-commerce, employing six people and serving a loyal customer base. In 1989, he found a new lane to drive the business forward—literally.

He began taking his parts and accessories directly to the tracks, starting at Royal Mountain's motocross events. What began as a side hustle quickly became a cornerstone of his business. Within the first year, trailer sales at the tracks made up 30% of total revenue. Today, that number has more than doubled.

Bob's trackside business is now the lifeblood of Sanders Motorsports. From April through October, Bob hits the road each weekend before dawn, traveling to events affiliated with the USMX and other regional racing organizations across central and western New York. His signature trailer is a familiar sight to racers and fans alike, packed with every imaginable part and accessory, often saving

someone's race day.

The community at these tracks has become like a second family. Over the years, many of the racers and families he met have become close friends, and some now work with him at events.

A One-Man Engine
These days, Sanders Motorsports is a solo operation. Bob
manages everything—
inventory, service, travel, and

trackside sales. His workweek is unconventional: the store is closed on Mondays and Saturdays (April through October), with open hours Tuesday through Friday from 11am to 6pm, and limited Saturday hours (10am to 2pm) during the off-season. Even with the long hours and heavy travel schedule, Bob remains passionate about what he does. For him, this isn't just a business—it's a lifestyle built from grit, speed, and a deep connection to motorsports and the people who love it.

What makes Sanders Motorsports stand out isn't just the quality of the parts or the breadth of inventory, or expert service—it's the story behind it all. Bob Sanders' story is one of perseverance, community, and chasing a dream.

From that first snowmobile to becoming a fixture at race tracks across the region, Bob has built more than a business—he's built a legacy. And for motorsports enthusiasts in New York and beyond, Sanders Motorsports is a trusted pit stop on the road of racing.

SANDERS MOTORSPORTS

2702 State Highway 67, Johnstown | (518) 762-9654 Services and repairs motorcycles, dirt bikes, snowmobiles, ATVs; carries parts, full line of motocross and dirt bike accessories including helmets, protective gear, boots, goggles, packs, gloves, clothing, and much more.



FULTON COUNTY

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SO MUCH going on in our region! Follow links for details or reference the event calendars on <u>44lakes.com</u> or <u>visitmontgomerycountyny.com</u>

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REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THE MONTGOMERY KAYAK -A-THON!

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/montgomerykayak-a-thon-bicentennial-bash-tickets-1322775139049?aff=ebdssbdestsearch

Join us as we explore another portion of the Mohawk!

Kayaks, canoes, and stand-up paddle boards are all invited to launch from Fonda and travel east along the Mohawk River, through Locks 12 and 11, and conclude their paddle at the Port Jackson Boat Launch in Amsterdam. It is an approximately 9-mile paddle.

Check-in will begin at 8am at the Fonda Park at 40 Park St, Fonda, NY 12068. We will launch at 9:30AM.

Participants can drop their kayaks, canoes, and paddle boards, and then park at the parking lot at 1 Port Jackson Square, Amsterdam, NY 12010 or the parking lot on 63 Bridge Street, Amsterdam, NY 12010, with shuttle service provided back to the boat launch. A post-event lunch will be available for registered participant at the South Side Veterans Memorial Park on Bridge Street (directly across the street from 63 Bridge Street).

Kayak Rentals Available

A limited number of kayak rentals will be available from Upstate Kayak Rentals:

https://fareharbor.com/embeds/book/ upstatekayakrentals/items/482021/ calendar/2025/08/?flow=216123&full-items=yes

This year marks a once-in-a-lifetime milestone — the 200th Anniversary of the Erie Canal — and we're making it one to remember! After paddling the scenic Mohawk River during the Montgomery County Kayak-a-Thon, we invite you to stay the night and keep the celebration going at our Bicentennial Bash at Riverlink Park in Amsterdam.

JUNE 2025 Fulton County Events are lining up for summer! Organizations, retail businesses, and seasonal venues, music, the arts and history are opening, posting events, setting times and selfpromoting.

June 13 – The Arc Lexington's annual Golf Tournament at Hales Mills Country Club, Johnstown, 9 am

June 14 – Annual Strawberry Festival & Treasures in the Trunk at Mayfield's historic Rice Homestead, noon to 4 p.m.

June 21 - 4th Annual OESJ AP/APA Golf Tournament, Fox Run Golf Club, Johnstown, shot gun start 9 a.m.

The new 44LAKES.COM EVENT CALENDAR IS LIVE! This new Fulton County initiative is brighter, clearer, and more interactive with residents and visitors to Fulton County. It's easy to use, quick to update, scans events using AI to assist in complete area coverage. Go to https://www.44lakes.com/calendar/ to see the latest or to add your event.



FULTON MONTGOMERY REGIONAL CHAMBER'S WOMEN ADVISORY COUNCIL

We want to hear from you! We're exploring the idea of reviving the Chamber's Women's Advisory Council — a space to support, connect, and empower women in our business community. Your feedback will help shape its future. Take the short survey now and share your thoughts by visiting https://forms.gle/uNZcxtURUXGwAYWJ7.

Questions? Please reach out to Nicole Walrath-VanAlstyne at nicolew@fultonmontgomeryny.org



Women's Advisory Council – Interest Survey

We're considering reviving the Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber's Women's Advisory Council to support, connect, and empower women in our local business community. Your feedback will help us determine the level of interest and shape the committee's purpose and programming. Thank you for your input! If you have any questions, please reach out to Nicole Walrath-VanAlstyne at nicolew@fultonmontgomeryny.org

CHAMBER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM UPDATE

The Chamber received over 60 applications for the four \$1,000 scholarships it will be able to award to current Fulton and Montgomery Counties high school seniors. There also will be a \$1000 scholarship given in memory of the late Daryl Baldwin, a local businessman and elected official in the Town of Johnstown, courtesy of Susan and Gary Furman.

At least one application was received from every district high school in the two counties. Scholarships will be presented at the June 12 Chamber Board of Directors meeting and all winners will be featured in the July issue of *Newsline*.

The Chamber's Golf Classic golf tournament, scheduled for September 12 this year (see page 11 for details) raises funds for this program. Please participate if you can and help support this important program for the students of our region!



The Chamber wishes to thank Craig Stephenson from Regulated Human Compliance, LLC for presenting a free educational webinar in May to Chamber members. The webinar, "Protect Your Business! Understand the Law!" was on Cybersecurity Training and Documentation for Small Business and Understanding Government Mandated Requirements. The webinar covered the New York State SHIELD Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The webinar was recorded and is available on the Chamber's YouTube channel and can be accessed here.

THE FULTON COUNTY REGIONAL SPCA,
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THE GLOVERSVILLE ENLARGED SCHOOL DISTRICT
ARE PROUD TO PRESENT:











Shelter dog PAWtraits created by student artists are for sale! Email: PR@fcrspca.org to reserve your favorite today, for \$40!

Public gallery viewing at the Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce starting Tuesday, May 27th (9am-4pm M-F), ending with an artist award presentation on Friday June 6th from 6-7pm.



Nicole Walrath VanAlstyne,

Director of Workforce Development nicolew@ fultonmontgomeryny.org







Natalie May, Business & Education Partnership Coord. nataliem@ fultonmontgomeryny.org

HFM PTECH CELEBRATES PROGRAM COMPLETERS AT EIGHTH ANNUAL COMPLETION CEREMONY

Story and Photos by HFM BOCES Communications Team Twenty-seven students from nine Hamilton-Fulton-

Montgomery area school districts were honored as program completers at the eighth annual HFM PTECH Completion Ceremony, held Wednesday, May 21 at the HFM BOCES campus.

PTECH, or Pathways in Technology Early College High School, is a unique six-year program designed to blend high school, college, and workplace experiences. It offers students individual pathways to success through mentorship, project-based learning, and real-world applications.

These students not only met all New York State Regents Diploma requirements but also completed coursework for associate degrees at either SUNY Fulton-Montgomery Community College or SUNY Cobleskill—entirely tuition-free.

HFM BOCES District Superintendent Dr. David Ziskin and Board of Education President Matt Sullivan delivered opening remarks, congratulating students on their achievements.

Keynote speaker Reverend Doctor Laurie Garramone, Rector of St. John's Church in Johnstown, shared personal reflections on her experiences with PTECH students over the years. She spoke about the vibrant energy and thoughtfulness that defines the program, noting, "I am always inspired by the spirit and energy of PTECH whenever I come and spend time with you, as if good ideas and question marks are sort of floating around in the air as I walk down the hallways, which is the right blend! Today is no different."

Garramone encouraged students to embrace their curiosity and keep looking forward, even in challenging times. She quoted renowned physicist Stephen Hawking:

"Remember to look up at the stars and not down at your feet. Try to make sense of what you see and wonder about what makes the universe exist. Be curious. And however difficult life may seem, there is always something you can do and succeed at. It matters that you don't just give up."

Broadalbin-Perth Central School District's Brooklyn Vasquez also addressed her fellow completers, emphasizing the importance of curiosity and a lifelong love of learning. "The world needs thinkers, creators, builders, and doers," Vasquez remarked. "May we never stop asking questions, laughing through the confusion, and learning—every single day."

Additional speakers included PTECH completer Devyn

Burtt, SUNY Cobleskill Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Darcy Medica, and SUNY Fulton -Montgomery Community College Dean of Student Affairs Arlene Spencer, who presented special student recognitions.

The ceremony concluded with heartfelt remarks from PTECH school counselor Jennifer Sponnoble, who urged students to support those around them.

"Remember the people around you that might need a lift, a kind word, support or encouragement," Sponnoble said. "Every one of us needs it from time to time." Other highlights of the ceremony included:

- → The National Anthem and Pledge of Allegiance was performed by Nora Mever.
- → The HFM BOCES Teachers' Association Scholarship was presented to Addison Farrington.

↑ The following students were honored for having a cumulative average of 90% or higher throughout every semester of their PTECH career: Jacob Blais, Gayleen Budhoo, Aaron Lopez, Logan Mitchell, Quinten Morse, Andrew Satas, Brooklyn Vasquez.

→ The following students have earned their New York State Regents diplomas and their associate degrees from SUNY Fulton-Montgomery Community College, thereby completing the Hamilton-Fulton-Montgomery BOCES PTECH program: Aidanrose Achzet, Jacob Blais, Devyn Burrtt, Liam Donde, Addison Farrington, Ethan Germond, Payton Insonia, Aaron Lopez, David Martuscello, Nolan Meyer, Olivia Michalski, Logan Mitchell, Yadiel Morales-Diaz, Quinten Morse, Joseph Pinto, Bianca Rorick, Andrew Satas, Logan Smith, Riley Sweet, John Vargas, Brooklyn Vasquez

The following students have earned their New York State Regents diplomas and their associate degrees from SUNY Cobleskill, thereby completing the Hamilton-Fulton-Montgomery BOCES PTECH program: Gayleen Budhoo, Gavin Freeman, Holden Rose, Trenton Sanders, Alexis Sherman, Samantha Totten.





GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR CHAMBER

All events offer FREE admission for Chamber members and their employees. Unless otherwise indicated (highlighted), please RSVP to (518) 725-0641 or email fultonmontgomeryny@gmail.com.

Wednesday, June 4, 7pm 38TH ANNUAL SPORTS AWARD BANQUET Holiday Inn Johnstown-Gloversville 308 N. Comrie Ave., Johnstown

The Chamber honors the top Fulton County athletes from each of its high schools, the schools' championship teams and representatives, and then awards Top Male and Female Athletes of the Year. Athletes, their families and friends, Chamber members are invited to attend. To purchase tickets (\$35 each), they are available at the front desk at the Holiday Inn or call the Chamber for details.

Emcee for the event is Lexi Swatt-Sheerin, who was a 2013 nominee for the Female Athlete of the Year and a steadfast name on the field hockey, basketball, lacrosee and softball rosters at Johnstown High School. Her passion for sports turned into a drive to succeed in sports broadcasting, including at NewsChannel 13 out of Albany, and roles at The Bleacher Report, CBS Sports, the New York Jets. Keynote speaker Jeanne Dupree is a graduate of Gloversville High School where she participated in basketball, volleyball and softball. She was the Chamber's 1991 Female Athlete of the Year.

<u>Thursday, June 5 4pm-6:30pm</u> RIBBON CUTTING AND BUSINESS AFTER HOURS AT REETS BAYSIDE MARINA AND THE FREEDOM BOAT CLUB

275 Lakeside Drive. Mavfield

Adam Retersdorf and his staff invite you to Reets Boatworks and their new venture, The Freedom Boat Club, for a ribbon-cutting event and Open House. Chamber members and their employees are invited to attend with refreshments, boat tours, information about The Freedom Boat Club, and more! RSVP requested; see contact information above.

Friday, June 6, 6pm

CLOSING RECEPTION FOR CHAMBER ART SHOW FEATURING STUDENTS FROM **GLOVERSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL**

2 N. Main Street, Gloversville

The closing reception for an Art Show in the Chamber's Rotunda Gallery which will feature art created by Gloversville High School students from a project with the Fulton County Regional SPCA. The show will open on May 19 and can be viewed Monday through Friday from 9am-4pm unless Chamber is closed for an event. Please join us for the closing reception, with free admission and open to all. Light refreshments will be served.

Thursday, June 26, 4pm RIBBON CUTTING AT GRAND INDIAN KITCHEN

4822 State Highway 30, Amsterdam

Please join us to welcome this great business to Chamber membership. See above for RSVP.

Friday, June 27, 11:30am-12:30pm VIRTUAL LUNCH & LEARN WITH THE NYS WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD

A FREE webinar hosted by the NYS Workers' Compensation Board. Watch future Newsline issues and Chamber email blasts for further details. Register online here

Friday, June 27, 4:30pm RIBBON-CUTTING FOR LESLIE FARRELL TRAVEL AGENCY

2 N. Main Street, Gloversville

Join us to celebrate a ribbon-cutting for Leslie Farrell and her Travel Agency. RSVP requested see above for details.



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