

# NEWSLINE May 2025

#### A Publication of the Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce

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

#### THE CHAMBER HELPS CLEAN UP OUR REGION FOR EARTH DAY



Above: Chamber staff poses with Gloversville officials and volunteers before they set out to help clean up the city. Center: The Chamber's Natalie May & Marybeth Shults help clean up the FMCC campus.





Above: The Chamber, along with its board members and representatives from Fulton and Montgomery Counties participate in Keep Mohawk Valley Beautiful's press conference about clean up efforts around the region.

#### RIBBON-CUTTING EVENT AT BOHO DINOSAUR'S GREENERY



Left: The Boho Dinosaur's Greenery owner Erica Battisti and her husband Justin Battisti, pose with Johnstown Mayor Amy Praught at a ceremony before the business' ribbon cutting on April 4. Located at 86 Briggs Street, Suite 3, in Johnstown, The Boho Dinosaur Greenery is a retail store offering houseplants, accessories, and customized plant care help. Educational classes and in-home plant care are also available. Visit their Facebook page for event information and more or order plants and accessories on their website for pick up at the store.



#### SCENES FROM THE APRIL 3 BUSINESS EXPO AT THE JOHNSTOWN MOOSE!









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## Message from the Executive Director

Dear Members, Partners, and Friends,

As I am preparing to step away from my role as Executive Director of the Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce, I want to express my deepest gratitude for the opportunity to serve this vibrant and resilient community. Ten years ago, I was awarded by the Chamber as the Young Professional of the Year, and now I had the pleasure to work at the Chamber, beginning this journey as the Director of Tourism, and ending my tenure with the distinct honor of serving as your Executive Director.

Over the past six years, I have been lucky to work alongside an incredible team, a dedicated Board of Directors, and so many passionate business owners, educators, and community leaders. Together, we've strengthened local partnerships, supported economic growth, and championed the voices of our members through both challenging and exciting times.

What has always stood out to me is the spirit of collaboration and commitment that runs through every corner of Fulton and Montgomery Counties. This is a region that believes in its people—and that belief has driven every initiative we've launched, every event we've hosted, and every conversation we've had about the future. The collaborations have led to programs and initiatives (which will only continue to grow), such as:

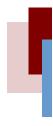
- The Fulton County Five Hiking Challenge,
- The 44 Lakes Craft Beverage trail (with a very successful tasting event in 2023)
- New programming to help businesses succeed, such as HR lunch and learns, educational seminars, speed networking events, and the semi-conductor awareness event (Everyone CHiPS In)
- Ambassador program- revitalized the program, with a wonderful group of ambitious ambassadors!
- Advocacy: Spent many in-person days in Albany, attending NYS Business Council meetings, and developing relationships with local, state, and federal elected officials.
- Brought back our popular Young Professionals Group, which had a vibrant new start with more events to come.
- Celebrating the PTECH 10<sup>th</sup> Year anniversary was wonderful. To showcase our unique partnership with HFM BOCES is something I will always be grateful for. Another great accomplishment is strengthening our

Another great accomplishment is strengthening our relationship with our partners such as HFM BOCES and CTE, SUNY FMCC, FMS Workforce Solutions, Fulton County CRG, Fulton County Tourism, Montgomery County Tourism, and Montgomery County Business

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#### Welcome New Members

**April 2025** 



#### **SUNNY HUNNY FARMS**

334 Robb Road, Amsterdam (518) 209-6992 | <u>Facebook</u>

Small-scale producer of honey, cut flowers, dried flowers, fruits and vegetables. Products sold seasonally at the Gloversville Farmers Market and year-round at the farm store, which also hosts classes throughout the year. Growing flowers for beautiful, fresh bouquets is a cornerstone of the business; they also offer floral services for weddings and events, as well as u-pick flowers by appointment.

#### TRUST YOUR GUT PRODUCTIONS

12 Ridge Road, Gloversville

(203) 374-7729 trustyourgutproductions.org Gloversville-based production company supporting new works, new voices, new artists, new audience. Plays, musicals, cabarets and more. Summer Academy Open House on 5/2 at 4PM at the Gloversville Public Library

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#### TA FULTONVILLE

40 Riverside Drive, Fultonville (838) 292-9580

Truck stop with a gas station, convenience store, truck service and restaurant conveniently located right off Exit 28 of the NYS Thruway. Continued on page 5

## MEMBERSHIP MESSAGE

#### Director of Membership Marybeth Shults



It's hard to believe it's already been a month since I stepped into the role of Director of Membership at the Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce. The energy and enthusiasm from our local business community has been inspiring, and I'm excited to share some of the progress we've made together so far!

In just a few short weeks, we collaborated with FMS Workforce Solutions to host a very successful Speed Networking Event, giving members a fast-paced, fun way to build new business connections. We also attended AI Integration Training, helping businesses explore new tools to streamline their operations, improve customer engagement, and stay competitive in an ever-changing marketplace. Additionally, we hosted a massive number of jobseekers along with employers at the FMCC Job Fair. Thank you to both the community and our partners for making this a huge success!

Membership is growing! We've welcomed several new members to the Chamber family, expanding our network and strengthening the local economy. Behind the scenes, I've also been hard at work developing a Tiered Membership Program, which will provide businesses with more customized options to meet their unique goals and budgets.

Looking ahead, summer is shaping up to be a busy and exciting season! We'll be celebrating multiple ribbon cuttings to welcome new businesses into our community, and I'm working to foster new business-to-business collaborations across the region. It's an incredible time to be part of the Chamber as we continue building momentum and creating meaningful opportunities for our members.

If you haven't connected with me yet, let's make it happen! Whether you have ideas for new initiatives, want to get involved, or just want to grab a coffee and chat about the future of business in Fulton and Montgomery counties, my door is always open.

Here's to a summer full of growth, connections, and new possibilities!

Marybeth Shults



# MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES April 2025

#### Thank you for your continued support!



#### 41+ YEARS

SUNY Fulton-Montgomery Community College—51 Salmon Law Firm, PLLC—47 Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs—42

#### 31 - 40 YEARS

Riley Mortuary, Inc.—34

#### 21 - 30 YEARS

Judith-Ann Realty, Inc.—30 D.W.L. Brand MFG. Animal Control Equipment & Solutions—29 Electro-Metrics—29 Countryside Fuels—25 WalMart DC #6096—25

#### 11 - 20 YEARS

Security Supply Corp.—20 Sanders Motorsports, Inc.-20 St. John's Episcopal Church—20 School House Treasures—19 Pavlus Orchards—19 Spinnaker Management & Realty Sales-18 Allan MacVean, CFP-18 Elizabeth Cady Stanton Hometown Association, Inc.—17 Sikorski's Service Station—17 R & A Waite, Inc.—17 River Ridge Living Center, LLC—17 Distinct Home Designs, Inc.—16 Adirondack Septic Tank, Inc.—16 The Hearing Doctor—16 Amsterdam Mohawks—16 Fulton County Farm Bureau—15 SW The Spa-15 Mohawk Valley Group at Morgan Stanlev-15 Pickett Memorial Co.—15 Lamont Engineers-14

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# MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES April 2025

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The Wesson Group, LLC-10 Joanna Olson of Howard Hanna Real Estate Services-10 Benson's Pet Center-10 Hugh Johnson Advisors-6 Golden Sand Asian Spa-6 NBT Bank—Gloversville Financial Center—4 Fulton County Center for Regional Growth-4 Advanced Therapy PT OT SLP RN Psych PLLC—3 Betty Beaver Fuel Stop—Canajoharie—3 Betty Beaver Fuel Stop—Fultonville—3 Classic Auto Wash—3 This is Bliss Massage Therapy—2 Gateway Property Solutions—2 Gateway Construction Solutions -2 Gateway Realty Solutions-2 AD Lakeview Orchard-2 AccuStaff—2 Veteran's Time to Thrive Inc. (VT3) - 2 NBT Bank-Vail Mills-1 My Paw Place Grooming & Hotel—1 NBT Bank—Johnstown—1 518 Renovations-1 Cintas Corporation—1 Bella Vita Salon LLC-1 Pluchino's Marina-1 Sam's Discount Wine & Liquor—1

#### Welcome New Members

April 2025

#### MY LIFE: THIS TIME AROUND

501 Reed Street, Northville Charity Pagano (518) 332-1801| <u>mylifethistimearound.com</u>

Teaching women how to market their small businesses on social media and get more clients so they can pay their own bills.



Chamber staff participated in HFM Prevention Council's Team Awareness Resilience and Thriving Training which helped us to discover the positive power of stress. The training was very valuable—and free of charge to our business. HFM Prevention Council also offers Ripple Effect of Wellbeing Training, free of charge, to businesses and their employees. This training helps employees to recognize and act on the importance of support and interconnections between themselves, their workplace and community. Want to offer this valuable, free training to your employees at your workplace or other location? Contact Alicia King at aliciak@hfm-preventioncouncil.com to set it up!

#### APRIL 23 JOB FAIR AT FMCC A SUCCESS!



Over 400 community and FM job seekers got to meet with 60 regional businesses who are looking for employees at the April 23 Job Fair hosted by <u>SUNY FM</u>, the Chamber and <u>FMS Workforce Solutions</u>. Below is a photo of Chamber staff and other organizers of the successful event.



#### **GLOVE THEATRE NEWS**

SUNDAY, MAY 4, SCREENING OF "RISE AND FALL OF THE BORSCHT BELT" Glove Board Member Aaron Enfield to Interview Jay Blotcher of the Newly-Created Castkills Borscht Belt Museum

An afternoon screening and discussion at the Glove Theatre in Gloversville will explore the fascinating history of the area of the Catskills Mountains

once known as the Borscht Belt.

The Glove Theatre Education Series will offer a FREE screening of **Rise and Fall of the Borscht Belt** on Sunday, May 4 at 2:00 p.m. Following the screening, Glove Theatre Board Member Aaron Enfield will explore the history of the Borscht Belt with Jay Blotcher, a board member of the newly opened Catskills Borscht Belt Museum in Ellenville, NY.



Jay Blotcher

Blotcher is the programmer for the museum's inaugural Borscht Belt Film Fest, which took place this past November. Enfield previously worked with the film festival circuit, including the Hamptons International Film Festival, the Nantucket Film Festival, the Tribeca Film Festival, and the Washington D.C. Jewish Community Center Film Festival.

Rise and Fall of the Borscht Belt is a 1986 documentary by Oscar-winning director Peter Davis. The 80-minute film recounts the meteoric growth of this fabled section of the Catskill Mountains in Sullivan and Ulster Counties. Starting in the 1920s, it became a summer retreat and sanctuary for millions of Jews, primarily from the New York City area. These Jewish-owned establishments were a welcome alternative to the anti-Semitic hotels that routinely turned away Jewish vacationers.

From the 1950s through the 1980s, this sprawling region of bed and breakfast farmhouses, bungalow colonies, and resort hotels numbered in the several hundreds. This mountain paradise drew people from all over the Eastern Seaboard. The Borscht Belt was famed for its social scene, epic food spreads, and its entertainment. The Borscht Belt was the launching pad for iconic stand-up comics, such as Rodney Dangerfield, Joan Rivers, Alan King, Billy Crystal, and Jerry Seinfeld.



#### The Glove Theatre Announces Productions for the YoungArts Program – Summer Musical & Theatre Institute and an Open House on May 3rd for students and

The Glove Theatre announces the YoungArts Program, a children-focused arts program designed for grade school, junior, and senior high school students. The Summer Musical program will provide a free two-week program for children in first through twelfth grade culminating with public performances of Disney's The Jungle Book KIDS from July 11-13. The Glove's Theatre Institute, a free, fourweek full-day summer camp for middle and high school students, will give participants the opportunity to create and perform their own original adaptation of Gilbert and Sullivan's Pirates of Penzance with public performances from August 15-17.

This summer, The Glove welcomes back Jennifer Flynn to our YoungArts Program. Jennifer Flynn returns as Lead Teaching Artist of the Children's Musical for first through twelfth grade school students.

The Glove also welcomes two new teaching artists to the YoungArts team! Kristoph DiMaria will serve as Lead Teaching Artist of the Theatre Institute – The Glove's middle through high school theatrical summer day camp program. Jamie Eacker Jennings will serve as an Educator for both summer programs.

In addition to the educator staff, The Glove's YoungArts program has a dedicated team of volunteer educators/subject matter experts – including Holly St. Andrews, Aaron Enfield (Glove Board Member), and Chris Ihasz (Glove Board Member). All three volunteers have previously worked in the theatre world of sound, lighting, costume design, technical design, construction, special effects, and arts administration. They look forward to lending their skills and knowledge to The Glove's YoungArts program this summer.

Interested students, parents, and community members are invited to an Open House at The Glove on Saturday, May 3, 2025, from 10:00 am - 12:30 pm to meet the educator team and to learn more about this year's YoungArts program.



# ST. MARY'S HEALTHCARE PRESIDENT & CEO JEFF METHVEN HONORED WITH "TOP WORKPLACE" LEADERSHIP AWARD

In the 27 months since Jeff Methven took the helm as president and CEO of St. Mary's Healthcare, the independent community hospital has been on a steady path of improvement—and patients, providers and the Capital region are taking notice.

Methven was honored earlier this month with the <u>Top Workplac-es 2025</u> Leadership Award for large employers. He is the first president and CEO of a Capital Region acute



care hospital to earn this distinction in the 14 years since the Times Union launched the Top Workplace recognition program.

In addition, St. Mary's was recognized as a Top Workplace 2025—another first for a Capital Region acute care provider.

Methven is quick to praise the team at St. Mary's. They, in turn, say the credit belongs to him.

"We chose Jeff because of his reputation as a transformational leader, and he is delivering beyond our highest expectations," said Michael Pepe, chair of the St. Mary's Board of Directors that selected Methven after a nationwide search for president and CEO.

Pepe acknowledged Methven's operational and administrative experience, strategic vision and commitment to St. Mary's core values. "What sets Jeff apart," Pepe added, "is his ability to inspire and motivate others to give their all. That's making a difference for St. Mary's and our community."

Last year alone, St. Mary's recruited 27 healthcare providers and 308 new associates. Perhaps even more telling, nearly 160 former team members "came home" to St. Mary's because of the positive work culture.

The community is also returning to their local hospital. Under Methven's leadership, St. Mary's is serving more patients, delivering more babies, introducing new services and making significant investments in programs, facilities, technology and people.

As executive director of human resources and chief people officer at St. Mary's, Lisa Mazzoccone sees the impact of these changes firsthand. "Despite a very competitive recruiting environment, more and more people want to join or come back to St. Mary's," she said.



entire career in healthcare,
developing programs that help ensure access to quality
care, emphasize the patient experience and encourage
collaboration and workforce development. Before joining
St. Mary's, he served as executive vice president at Saratoga Hospital in Saratoga Springs. A graduate of Le Moyne
College in Syracuse, Methven has an Executive Master of
Business Administration degree from the William E. Simon Graduate School of Business Administration at the

## BIG BAND BIG HEARTS FOR HOSPICE EVENT IN MEMORY OF TIM KEEGAN

University of Rochester.

Mountain Valley Hospice & Palliative Care Foundation presents Big Band Big Hearts for Hospice, scheduled for Tuesday, August 12 5pm-8pm at Sherman's in Caroga Lake. This event will be in memory of a beloved member of the Mountain Valley Hospice family, Tim Keegan. The event will feature a performance by Kyle Athayde and his 13-piece band the Dance Party playing jazz favorites. There will also be a special performance by Ted Keegan, brother of Tim Keegan, in whom this concert is presented in memory of. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be catered by Union Hall Inn and a cash full bar will be available courtesy of Stump City Brewing. The carousel will be open, and more. Kyle Athayde will be in the area performing with the Caroga Lake Music Festival. Tickets are \$100 per person and can be purchased on Eventbrite or by calling (518) 725-4545.





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This month, we continue to celebrate our 2025 Chamber Award winners:

#### WALMART DISTRIBUTION CENTER #6096—EDWARD L. WILKINSON INDUSTRY OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce is proud to recognize WalMart Distribution Center #6096 (WMDC) as the recipient of the prestigious 2025 Edward L. Wilkinson Industry of the Year Award. This honor is given to a business that makes outstanding contributions to the region's economic growth and demonstrates exceptional commitment to the community and Chamber initiatives. Named in memory of Edward L. Wilkinson, a dedi-

Walmar

Supply Chain

cated economic development leader, this award highlights companies that embody the values of leadership, community support, and economic impact.

Since its grand opening on April 19, 2000, WMDC has been a cornerstone of the local economy. Spanning an impressive 868,000

square feet—including 474,000 square feet of dry storage, 366,000 square feet of perishable storage, and 28,000 square feet of office space—this facility has grown into one of the region's largest employers, now boasting 1,030 employees. As WMDC celebrates its 25-year anniversary, it plans to host a summer or fall celebration, inviting employees and their families to tour the warehouse and enjoy a family-friendly cookout.

General Manager Nick Capece, who began his journey with WMDC seven years ago, has played a crucial role in the facility's growth and community outreach. Initially joining as a Senior Maintenance Manager, he quickly rose through the ranks to Assistant General Manager and, in 2024, became General Manager. He credits former GM Andy Walton for initiating the facility's transformation, emphasizing their shared leadership philosophy of employee engagement and community involvement.

WMDC has consistently demonstrated its commitment to the community by providing critical aid during emergencies. For instance, when the town of Fonda experienced issues with its drinking water, WMDC swiftly donated trailers of water, ensuring residents had access to clean water. This is just one of many examples of how the distribution center goes beyond business operations to support local needs.

WMDC has significantly impacted the region's economy, increasing its hourly employee count from 650 to 965 over the past seven years—a 30-35% growth. With an average hourly wage exceeding \$30, employees contribute substantially to the local economy through spending on dining, retail, and services. Additionally, the facility prioritizes local vendors for catering, office supplies, signage and much more, ensuring that its investments remain within the community.

Nick Capece himself is a strong advocate for supporting local businesses. Residing in Johnstown, he frequents downtown coffee shops and other retailers with his eight-

year-old, reinforcing the center's deep-rooted connection with the community. Through its Walton Family Fitness program, WMDC's partnership with local fitness centers, such as Fit Happens and Axis Strength Training, also exemplifies its dedication to employee well-being and local business support.

WMDC is an active participant in Chamber programs, supporting business education and workforce development. The facility has hosted high school tours, allowing students to explore career opportunities in logistics and transportation. A standout moment was when a truck driver shared his annual earnings of \$130,000, opening students' eyes to lucrative career paths.

The distribution center also sponsors and participates in the Chamber's annual Golf Tournament, which funds

scholarships for regional high school seniors. Employees serve as mentors in programs like PTECH's Workplace Wednesdays and the Women in Workforce initiative, encouraging young women to explore non-traditional roles in logistics and management.

WMDC's workforce development programs, such as the "Associate to Driver" and

"Associate to Technician" initiatives, provide employees with valuable skills to advance their careers. By investing in professional growth, WMDC fosters upward mobility within its workforce, ensuring long-term economic stability for its employees and the broader community.

Beyond economic contributions, WMDC is deeply engaged in philanthropy and volunteerism. The facility donates food trailers to the Northeast Food Bank in Latham, which redistributes resources to local communities. Employees volunteer at the the Northeast Food Bank, Fisher House for Veterans, the Salvation Army, and participate with programs such as the Family Counseling Center's Angel Program, supporting dozens of families during the holidays.

In addition to direct contributions, WMDC provides financial support to numerous local organizations, including post-prom events, school backpack programs, and first responder groups, to name a few. Its employees actively participate in community events, from the Johnstown Harvest Fest to the Holiday Parade in partnership with WalMart Gloversville.

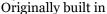
As WMDC moves forward, it remains dedicated to employee development and regional economic growth. With the possibility of facility expansion to meet increasing grocery demands (one-third of all Americans do their grocery shopping at Wal-Mart), the distribution center is poised to further strengthen its role in the local and regional supply chain. Leadership at WMDC continuously seeks ways to enhance employee training and career advancement, ensuring long-term prosperity for its workforce and community.

In accepting the 2025 Edward L. Wilkinson Industry of the Year Award, WMDC reaffirms its commitment to being a vital economic force and a dedicated community partner. As Nick Capece expressed, "We deeply appreciate our partnership with the Chamber and our communities. Our goal is to continue making a positive impact in every way possible."

#### The Glove Theatre: Winner of the 2025 Barbara V. Spraker Tourism Partner Award

The Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce proudly recognizes The Glove Theatre as the recipient of

the prestigious 2025 Barbara V. Spraker Tourism Partner Award. This distinguished honor is awarded to a Chamber member who has demonstrated outstanding dedication to attracting visitors to the region while showcasing the vibrant and positive aspects of the local community.



1914, The Glove Theatre in Gloversville, has long stood as a beacon of arts, culture, and community spirit. From its early days presenting vaudeville acts, orchestral concerts, and opera performances to becoming Fulton County's largest movie house in the 1950s, The Glove Theatre has always played a vital role in local entertainment. However, its survival was not always assured. In the 1990s, the theatre faced the threat of demolition, only to be saved by passionate community members who recognized its historical and cultural significance. Today, it continues to be a thriving centerpiece of Gloversville's downtown, fostering artistic expression and economic revitalization.

Over the past two years, The Glove Theatre has significantly expanded its programming, offering theatrical productions, concerts, educational events, and film screenings. By hosting at least one event every week for the past three and a half years, The Glove Theatre has not only enriched the cultural fabric of the community but has also attracted audiences from near and far. In 2024 alone, the theatre hosted over 200 events, logged more than 3,500 volunteer hours, and welcomed more than 7,800 guests. Recognizing the need for accessible entertainment, in its repertoire they have made sure to provide low-cost and free events, ensuring that art and culture remain within reach for all. From movie nights and live music to dance parties and youth theatre productions, the theatre has become a space where families and friends gather, celebrate creativity, and share meaningful experiences.

Winning the Barbara V. Spraker Tourism Partner Award acknowledges the tireless efforts of The Glove Theatre's board of directors, volunteers, and supporters in making the theatre a cultural and economic catalyst for the region...and beyond. This recognition highlights not only the theatre's role in entertainment but also its ongoing mission to preserve a historic treasure.

"We are bringing people to The Glove Theatre who have never been here before—both locals and visitors from beyond our region, including Amsterdam, Cooperstown, Clifton Park, Albany, Saratoga, and more," said the theatre's leadership. "This award validates our commitment to both our past and our future. We are not just entertaining—we are preserving history and creating a dream for downtown Gloversville."

The Glove Theatre's momentum continues to build, with ambitious plans for expansion and revitalization. In November 2022, the theatre was awarded \$1.993 million through New York State's Downtown Revitalization Initia-

tive (DRI), followed by an additional \$2 million from the Restore New York grant program in 2023. These funds will help support critical capital improvements, including ADA-compliant upgrades, an elevator, the development of a black box theatre on the third floor, and the restoration

of the carriage house for expanded programming and

support spaces.

Partnering with architectural firm Thaler Reilly Wilson (TRW) Architecture & Preservation, The Glove Theatre is now in the design phase of these renovations. "We are working on the intricate details of our future—from lighting to tiles to infrastructure improvements," theatre representatives shared. "It's an exciting time, and we can't wait to bring our vision to the community."

The Glove Theatre's success is deeply rooted in its collaborations with local and regional organizations. By hosting events such as the Fulton County SPCA's quarterly trivia nights, environmental presentations from

the Southern Adirondack Audubon Society, and the Elizabeth Cady Stanton Hometown Association's film screenings, to name a few, the theatre extends its reach to diverse audiences. Family-friendly initiatives, such as a partnership with the Gloversville Recreation Commission for a matinee series and the Rotterdam Aquarium's Reptile Show, have drawn record-breaking attendance, further solidifying the theatre's role as a community hub.

Additionally, The Glove Theatre fosters economic growth by supporting local businesses. Through initiatives such as partnerships with restaurants for visitors to enjoy dinner and a show, sourcing supplies from nearby vendors, and reinvesting earnings into the local economy, the theatre continues to be a driving force behind downtown Gloversville's revitalization.

At the heart of The Glove Theatre's success are its dedicated volunteers. With over 3,500 volunteer hours recorded in 2024, community members continue to play a pivotal role in the theatre's operations. From working concessions and box office shifts to assisting with productions, these individuals are the lifeblood of The Glove.

"We are a predominantly volunteer-run organization, and our volunteers are as excited as our audiences," said theatre representatives. "Each event brings new volunteers eager to be part of our story. Their passion and dedication to The Glove are priceless."

The next five years hold immense promise for The Glove Theatre. As renovation plans come to fruition, programming expands, and partnerships flourish, the theatre's leadership remains steadfast in their vision: to be a premier arts and entertainment destination, a beacon of history and culture, and a thriving economic engine for downtown Gloversville.

"If we build it, they will come. And they already are," theatre leadership emphasized. "Every event, every show, every guest who walks through our doors brings us one step closer to realizing our dream. The future of The Glove Theatre is brighter than ever, and we can't wait to share it with the world."

Winning the 2025 Barbara V. Spraker Tourism Partner Award is a milestone in The Glove Theatre's incredible journey. It is a testament to those who believe in its future. As The Glove Theatre continues to welcome audiences, support local talent, and drive economic growth, it remains a shining example of what can be accomplished when a community comes together to preserve its cultural heritage while dreaming big for the future.

#### GREATER JOHNSTOWN LIONS CLUB SCHEDULES GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Greater Johnstown Lions Club is excited to announce their 2025 Golf Tournament will take place on Saturday, May 17 at Fox Run Golf Club in Johnstown. Registration is at 8:30am with a 9:30am shotgun start. Cost is \$130 per player. Sponsorship opportunities are available



for this popular tournament and the club is also looking for donations for their raffles, and company swag for their golfer gift bags, if you would like to promote your business to the golfers, volunteers and more. If vou'd like to volunteer at the event, you are needed! For more information, or to register to golf or sponsor/donate to the tourna-

ment, please contact John Huebeler at (518) 762-4710 or jhuebeler@nycap.rr.com. Proceeds from the tournament benefit the programs of the club, including scholarships provided to Johnstown and Gloversville high school seniors, school backpack programs, hearing aids, beautification projects, and much more.

#### RICMAR DESIGN & PRINT ANNOUNCES **NEW SERVICES FOR 2025**

Ricmar Design & Print is announcing new services and new faces at its Main Street, Gloversville location. The business, formerly of Amsterdam, moved to Gloversville in August of 2023 and has found a home in the downtown business district ever since.

"We have been amazed by the warmth community here in Gloversville," stated Kristina Gillmore,



owner of Ricmar Design & Print. "The move has brought us new friends, new customers, and a new outlook heading into 2025.

Ricmar Design & Print is a business with roots that stretch back over 45 years with Gillmore as the 3rd owner, purchasing the company from Bob Olbrycht in March of 2013. Ricmar has traditionally provided services including graphic design, custom printing for businesses and organizations, catalog design and direct mail marketing design and production. In 2025, the business is expanding its services with the aid of a Microenterprise Grant provided by Fulton County and administered by Fulton County Center for Regional Growth. Grant funds have meant the ability to expand services and staffing.

"We are thankful to CRG for their support and guidance throughout the grant process," added Gillmore. "The grant award has allowed us to purchase a large format, fine art printer and some finishing equipment. We are now able to work closely with local artists, helping them to create high-quality large format prints and greeting cards of their original works.

Fulton County Center for Regional Growth President and CEO, Ronald Peters praised Krissy, stating, "It's been a pleasure working with her. CRG supports small businesses, the foundation of our local communities and economy." He further explained the CDBG Microenterprise

Grant Program, funded by HUD and managed by HCR, provides up to \$25,000 to Fulton County small businesses for startup or expansion, aiming to create jobs and stimulate the local economy.

Kenneth Adamczyk, Economic Development Specialist at Fulton County Center for Regional Growth said, "Small businesses are the backbone of economic development. The great thing about Ricmar and Krissy is that their clients are treated like a friend which makes every encounter a memory not just a sale."

Gloversville Downtown Development Specialist, Jennifer Donovan expressed her appreciation, stating, "We're thrilled to have Ricmar Design & Print in downtown Gloversville. They're a fantastic team player and a great supporter of other local businesses and organizations. Krissy's passion for Gloversville is exactly the kind of entrepreneurial spirit we need to revitalize our downtown.'

2025 has seen the addition of services beyond the personalized work with area artists. Jennifer Jennings has joined the team at Ricmar. Jennings brings with her over 25 years of experience in nonprofit marketing, social media management, and website creation. "I am excited to join Krissy and the team at Ricmar," Jennings noted. "I began working with Krissy as a client years ago and I know the care, dedication, and creativity she brings to every job. I'm happy to be a part of a passionate group of individuals."



Ricmar Design & Print will continue to provide their established print and design services while also adding marketing services for businesses and nonprofit organizations, branding services and management, social media and website management as well as large format fine art print services.

"We strive to be a resource for our clients, helping them discover their voice through design, marketing, and relationship building", adds Gillmore. "Our expertise ensures high-quality work while also focusing on the fun."

To learn more about Ricmar Design & Print and how they can assist you, go to ricmarprinting.com.

#### NATHAN LITTAUER HOSPITAL FOUNDATION'S THE EVENT— SAVE THE DATE!

The popular Nathan Littauer Hospital Foundation's THE EVENT has been scheduled for Friday, June 13, 7pm at The Eccentric Club, 109 N. Main Street in Gloversville. This vear's event proceeds will support the cost of renovations that will help Littauer meet the community's growing need for post-acute rehabil-



itation. It's a party this year that looks back at idyllic summers at the mountain retreats of the golden mid-century era. It will be a wonderful evening of food, fun, dancing and great silent auction items! Patron tickets are \$250 per person and general admission tickets are only \$125 per person. There are a range of sponsorship opportunities for THE EVENT to fit any business or donor budget. For more information contact Kelly Colby at kcolby@nlh.org or call (518) 773-5505.



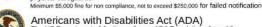
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#### REETS BOATWORKS AND BAYSIDE MARINA AND THE FREEDOM BOAT CLUB MAKE BOATING SIMPLE FOR YOU

Reets Boatworks and Bayside Marina is now part of the Freedom Boat Club on Great Sacandaga Lake. Freedom Boat Club is the world's first and largest boat club offering zeromaintenance boating at more than 400 locations worldwide.

Members simply reserve boats online or by phone, and they make sure your

reserved boat is fueled up and ready to go when you arrive. They also take care of boat maintenance, cleaning, repairs, insurance and storage. So, all you have to do is focus on the fun.



#### Freedom Boat Club Member Benefits

Freedom Boat Club is a stress-free and cost-effective alternative to boat own-

ership that offers more benefits than a standard boat rental.

- Unlimited access to a fleet of premium boats, both at your home marina on Great Sacandaga Lake and at 400+ locations across North America, Europe and Australia
- Comprehensive new member orientation
- Walk-on, walk-off boating with concierge-level dockside service and support
- Free, unlimited on-water training with certified boat captains
- Member events and special programs

#### **About The Great Sacandaga Marina & Fleet**

Reets Bayside Marina is located at 275 Lakeside Drive in Mayfield, on a protected, deep-water bay in the southwest corner of Great Sacandaga Lake. In addition to docking and fuel services, the marina features a sandy beach and picnic area. They also have tubes, ropes, dock lines and other boating items available for purchase in the rental office.

Their fleet features premium 23' tritoon pontoon boats with 150hp, 22' bow riders with 200hp and Boston whalers with 200hp.

#### **Freedom Boat Club Membership Info**

Freedom Boat Club provides a variety of membership options to fit your unique boating needs. Similar to joining a country club, you simply pay a one-time entry fee and select one of the monthly membership plans to start enjoying unlimited access to a fleet of premium boats. To request pricing and find the Freedom Boat Club Membership Plan that is right for you, contact Reets Bayside Marina at (518) 332-3629, visit their website at reetsboatworks.com or use the Contact form found here.

Reets Boatworks and Bayside Marina owner Adam Retersdorf puts it simply: Freedom Boat Club is really BOATING MADE SIMPLE. Freedom Boat Club really takes all the hassles out of boating...this is as close to a boating concierge service as you can get."

#### THE ARC LEXINGTON AND TRANSITIONS CEO SHALONI WINSTON NAMED A 2025 REMARKABLE WOMAN

The Arc Lexington and Transitions are proud to announce that Shaloni Winston, CEO of The Arc Lexington and founder of Transitions, has been named the 2025 Remarkable Woman of the Capital District by Nexstar Media Group.

Each year during Women's History Month, Nexstar honors women across the country who are making a meaningful difference in their communities. This year, more than 12,000 nominations were submitted nationwide, with 125 local winners selected—each representing their region in a national celebration of leadership, service, and impact.

Winston was chosen for her unwavering advocacy and life-changing work supporting individuals with developmental disabilities—particularly her creation of Transitions, a program that empowers young adults with autism and learning differences to thrive in college, careers, and independent living. Founded in 2015, Transitions now serves over 110 students across three campuses in New York's Capital Region, welcoming participants from across the country and abroad.

In April, Winston traveled to Hollywood, California to represent the Capital Region at a national celebration hosted by Brooke Burke. There, she joined 124 other local honorees for a televised event highlighting the resilience, achievements, and stories of women making an extraordinary difference. As part of her recognition, Winston was also awarded \$1,000 to donate to the nonprofit of her choice—and she selected Transitions.

"I still can't quite believe it," said Winston. "Being in



Hollywood and surrounded by so many incredible women was both humbling and inspiring. But what meant the most was having the chance to share the story of Transitions and the students who continue to amaze me every day. This isn't just my recognition—it belongs to our entire team, our families, and especially my daughter, who inspired it all."

(continued from p. 2—Message from Executive Director) Development. It has been a pleasure to work with such a talented team of individuals with unified goals in mind.

Events: It has been amazing to lead hundreds of successful events - ribbon cuttings, our legislative breakfast, our business expo and awards ceremony, clean up days, working with our partners for the Walleye Challenge, our annual job fair, continuing to promote our member events, our annual sports award banquet, the golf classic, Small Business Saturday and our Shop Local campaigns, Workplace Wednesdays with PTECH, CareerCon, Healthcare Conversations, and Women in the Workforce with HFM BOCES Career and Technical Education (CTE), Business After Hours...the list could really go on and on with our successes.

Chamber Championship: Thank you to St. Mary's Healthcare, Nathan Littauer Hospital, National Grid, The Family Counseling Center, The Mental Health Association of Fulton and Montgomery Counties, and NBT Bank for committing to our year-round Chamber Champion Sponsorship. This sponsorship helps fund the programs and initiatives listed and continue the drive for economic development, advocacy, and community engagement.

While I'm excited for the next chapter in my own journey, I leave with confidence knowing the Chamber will continue to thrive. The mission is strong, the leadership is top-tier, and the momentum is undeniable.

Thank you for your trust, your support, and most of all, your friendship. It has been an extraordinary privilege to serve this community.

With sincere appreciation, Anne Boles Executive Director



## HOCHUL ANNOUNCES BUDGET AGREEMENT

Governor Kathy Hochul announced on 4/29 an agreement has been reached with legislative leaders on key priorities in the Fiscal Year 2026 New York State Budget. Highlights of the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget include:

- A \$1 billion tax cut for middle-class and low-income New Yorkers, bringing tax rates to their lowest levels in nearly 70 years.
- Delivering a sweeping increase to the Child Tax Credit by giving eligible families a \$1,000 credit for kids younger than 4 years old and a \$500 credit for kids ages 4-16, effectively doubling the credit for the average family
- Expanding access to childcare by investing \$2.2 billion statewide, including a \$350 million investment to save child care subsidies for tens of thousands of New York City families.
- Sending New York's first-ever Inflation Refund checks, which will dedicate \$2 billion providing direct cash assistance to more than 8 million New Yorkers with checks of up to \$400 per family.
- Reducing the Payroll Mobility Tax for small businesses and eliminating it for self-employed individuals earning \$150,000 or less.
- Providing \$340 million to ensure free breakfast and lunch for every K-12 student in New York, saving families an average of \$1,600 per child.

- Investing a record \$357 million in gun violence prevention programs that have helped drive gun violence down by more than 50% when compared to pandemic-era peaks.
- Fixing the discovery laws to support victims and survivors, and reduce the number of cases being thrown out on technicalities, while investing \$120 million in funding for discovery law compliance for prosecutors and defense attorneys.
- Creating a new Class B misdemeanor to crack down on individuals who use a mask to conceal their identity when committing a Class A misdemeanor or higher crime or fleeing the scene immediately after committing such a crime.
- Making our subways safer by investing \$77 million for police officers on every overnight subway train, installing platform barriers and LED lighting and allocating \$25 million for welcome centers to connect homeless individuals with services and care.
- Strengthening involuntary commitment, improving Kendra's Law and investing \$16.5 million in Assisted Outpatient Treatment and \$2 million in OMH staffing to ensure people with severe mental illness get compassionate care.
- Strengthening the continuum of mental health care by investing \$160 million to create a 100 new forensic inpatient psychiatric beds in New York City.
- Setting a statewide bell-to-bell distraction-free schools policy with a \$13.5 million investment to help schools operationalize bans on smart phone and other internetenabled devices usage during the school day, making New York the largest state in the nation with a bell-to-bell ban.
- Investing \$47 million to make community college free for adult students pursuing associate degrees in certain high-demand industries.
- Leveling the playing field for homebuyers by banning private equity purchases within the first 90 days a home is on the market and making investments in Pro-Housing Communities and City of Yes.
- Making a record \$1 billion investment in climate priorities, including assistance to electrify homes, thermal energy networks, EV charging infrastructure and renewable energy projects.
- Making the biggest capital investment in New York's transportation history by fully funding the Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (MTA's) proposed \$68.4 billion 2025-2029 capital plan to build the Interborough Express, crack down on fare evasion and focus on much needed repairs and upgrades.
- Investing an additional \$800 million in the Department of Transportation's 5-year Capital Plan to support core highway and bridge construction projects.

With a conceptual agreement in place, the legislative houses are expected to pass bills that will enact these priorities in the coming days. Based on a preliminary assessment of the negotiated changes to the Executive proposal, the total Budget for FY 2026 is currently estimated at \$254 billion. The FY 2026 Budget does not raise income or statewide business taxes, maintains record State reserves to safeguard state finances and grants the Governor the powers necessary to make future adjustments if actions by the federal government require.

# TOURS NEWS & UPDATES

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

# MONTGOMERY COUNTY IN THE PROPERTY COUNTY COUNTY IN THE PROPERTY COUNTY COUNT

# April 28—May 4 Take a Bite of Montgomery County—signature restaurant week throughout the county

<u>Thursday, May 1</u>
Opening Day for Visitors Center—<u>Schoharie</u>
Crossing State Historic Site

#### Saturday, May 3

11am—<u>Callanan Industries</u> Community Day—401 NY 5S, Amsterdam

1pm—Erie Canal Bicentennial Year Celebration, Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site

2pm—Pet Wellness Day at <u>Ayres Memorial Ani</u>mal Shelter

#### Sunday, May 4

12pm—Cousins Maine Lobster Truck at <u>Second</u> <u>Act Spirits</u>

#### Saturday, May 10

1pm—Cheer to Mom's Paint & Sip, <u>Eisenadler</u> Brewery

5pm—Mother's Day Eve Celebration with Elvis, Amsterdam Elks Lodge #101

#### Sunday, May 11

10am—Mothers Day Brunch at <u>Hummingbird Hills Winery</u>

#### Saturday, May 17

10am—250 Years of Freedom—Liberty Pole Raising— Saint Kateri National Shrine & Historic Site 11am—Amsterdam Spring Fling Festival

7:30pm—An Evening with Amy Engelhardt, first of the Conservancy Hall Concerts in Glen

#### Sunday, May 18

10am—Spring Perennial Plant, Book and Bake Sale, <u>Landis Arboretum</u>

#### Saturday, May 24

1pm—Waking Up Wildflowers EnviroEd Program, <u>Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site</u>

#### Monday, May 26

Hagaman Memorial Day Parade

#### Saturday, May 31

1pm—Three Sisters Festival, <u>Saint Kateri National Shrine</u> & <u>Historic Site</u>

#### Saturday, May 3

12pm - Big Brew Day at Stump City Brewing

7pm – <u>The Glove Theatre</u> presents: Back to the Garden

1969 – The Woodstock Experience

7pm – Ride the Cyclone: The Musical at <u>The Colonial</u> <u>Little Theatre</u> (and May 4)

#### Sunday, May 4

12pm – Summer session square dancing begins at <u>The ShoeLeather Express</u>

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#### Thursday, May 8

5pm – Mother's Day Charcuterie Tray Class with Brenda Dwyer, <u>The Paul Nigra Center for Creative Arts</u> 6pm – Daughters of the American Revolution/ <u>Johnstown Historical Society</u> Meet & Greet at The James Burk's Inn

#### Saturday, May 10

9:30am — <u>Sacandaga Sprint 5K</u> at Sport Island Pub 5pm — Mother's Day Eve Plant & Sip at <u>The Boho Dinosaur's</u> <u>Greenery</u>

7pm – The 518 Concert Series presents: NolaNauts Party Gras at The Glove Theatre

#### Sunday, May 11

9am – Mother's Day Breakfast at <u>Historic Broadalbin Hotel</u> 9:30am – Mother's Day Brunch Buffet at <u>Hales Mills CC</u> 10am – Mother's Day Brunch at <u>Lanzi's on the Lake</u> 11am – <u>Schine Gallery</u> presents: Schine on Spring 2025 (all month long)

#### Wednesday, May 14

2pm – Chicken BBQ to benefit <u>Mountain Valley Hospice</u> at Dunkin' Donuts, Johnstown

#### Friday, May 16

6pm – Annual History Fair & Ice Cream Social at <u>The Fulton</u> <u>County Museum</u>

#### Saturday, May 17

9am – <u>Caroga Lakeview Store's</u>  $3^{rd}$  Annual Tops Off Event 1pm – <u>Sacandaga Valley Arts Network</u> "Paint a Still Life Workshop"

5pm – Make Your Own Staghorn Fern Mount at <u>The Boho Dinosaur's Greenery</u>

#### Saturday, May 24

11am – <u>Kids Carousel Concert</u> presents Reptiles & Friends with VIA Aquarium at Sherman's Park

7pm – <u>Caroga Arts Collective</u> presents Abbamania with Night Fever, the Bee Gees at Sherman's Park

#### Saturday, May 31

12pm – 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Pig-n-Dig at <u>Crystal Grove Diamond Mine & Campground</u>

1pm – Regional Red Wheat release and Birthday Bash at <u>Stump</u> <u>City Brewing</u>

7pm – <u>The Glove Theatre</u> presents Little Lies – A Fleetwood Mac Tribute Band

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## CAREER SUPPORT SERIES DEBUTS WOMEN IN THE WORKFORCE VIDEO

We're proud to partner with CTE in bringing meaningful career exploration opportunities to students across our region through our ongoing Career Support Series. We are truly grateful for over a decade of collaboration with HFM BO-CES—together, we're helping shape the future workforce!

Don't miss the latest Women in the Workforce video, produced by the HFM BOCES Communications team: <a href="https://">https://</a>

www.youtube.com/watch? v=e3coNpA8mBw



## LAST CALL FOR EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS SURVEY

The Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce is dedicated to fostering strong connections between local school districts in Hamilton, Fulton, and Montgomery counties and the evolving needs of today's workforce.

Please complete our Annual Employability Skills Survey by Friday, May 16. You can access the survey here: https://

forms.gle/3RQEhambm3UGNPZ78

## BUSINESS PARTNERS WANTED FOR HFM PTECH FIELD DAY

We are looking for a team of ten business partners to join us on Friday, May 16 from 11:45-2:15pm at HFM PTECH to participate in the Annual Field Day. RSVP to Natalie May at <a href="may1@hfmboces.org">nmay1@hfmboces.org</a>



#### **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.

# Friday, May 2, 3pm OPEN HOUSE AND RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY AT SCHINE MEMORIAL HALL

#### 26-40 N. Main Street, Gloversville

Help celebrate the completion of the third floor renovations to this historic building in downtown Gloversville. Beginning at 3pm with a ribbon cutting and at 4pm ending with a champagne toast. Tours of the historic spaces will be offered. Anyone interested in joining the festivities should RSVP to the Chamber at (518) 725-0641 or email fultonmontgomeryny@gmail.com Deadline for RSVPs is Friday, April 25.

# Thursday, May 8 10:30am RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY AT NEW MILDRED ELLEY EXTENSION SITE IN AMSTERDAM

#### 27 Wall Street, Amsterdam

Mildred Elley is thrilled to invite you to attend the ribbon -cutting ceremony at their NEW Mildred Elley Extension site in Amsterdam on Wall Street. RSVP no later than Friday, May 2 to Andrew Slezak, Amsterdam Site Director, aslezak@mildred-elley.edu

# Monday, May 12 9am-9:30am WEBINAR—PROTECT YOUR BUSINESS! UNDERSTAND THE LAW! Hosted by Regulated Human Compliance LLC

Join us for this free half-hour webinar on Cyber Security Training and Documentation for Small Businesses and Understanding Government-Mandated Requirements. The seminar will cover the New York State SHIELD Act, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Presented by Craig Stephenson, Senior Vice President, Regulated Human Compliance. Register with Craig via email at cstephenson@rhcompliance.com

#### 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.

#### 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 <u>here</u>

