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#### ■ ONGOING:

Applications for *Leadership Schenectady* are being accepted through end of year. Classes run January through June 2003. Locations to be announced. Visit [schenectadychamber.org](http://schenectadychamber.org) or contact Pat Barney at 372-5656, or [pbarney@schenectadychamber.org](mailto:pbarney@schenectadychamber.org)

#### ■ WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1

"Schenectady Today" Marathon, Midnight January 1 to 6 am January 2. SACC-TV Cable Channel 16 (available to Time Warner Cable customers in Schenectady, Glenville, Niskayuna, Rotterdam and Scotia) will host its first-ever marathon showing of the best "Schenectady Today" shows of 2002 to kick off the new year.

#### ■ THURSDAY, JANUARY 9

Kick-off dinner and first class meeting of *Leadership Schenectady 2003*. 4 p.m., Perrino's Restaurant, 2015 Rosa Road, Schenectady. Details to be announced. Visit [www.schenectadychamber.org](http://www.schenectadychamber.org) or contact Pat Barney at 372-5656 or [pbarney@schenectadychamber.org](mailto:pbarney@schenectadychamber.org)

#### ■ THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

Business Awards dinner and recognition ceremony at Glen Sanders Mansion, Scotia. Evening event includes recognition of award winners for 2002. Tickets are \$50 per person or \$450 per table of 10. Invitations will be mailed in late December.



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*The 40-foot "Alvin the Chipmunk" helium balloon returns to its standing position after passing beneath the 13-foot State Street train track overpass during the 33rd annual Gazette Christmas Parade. The first-ever giant balloon entry, compliments of the Golub Corporation, safely negotiated the overpass, traffic signals, and power lines, thanks to the efforts of about 50 Golub employees who volunteered to escort the famous chipmunk.*

## Christmas Parade Sets Entry Record

Not even a few inches of snow and chilly temperatures could dampen the spirits of thousands of spectators and participants as the 33rd Annual *Gazette* Christmas Parade wended its way through an expanded downtown Schenectady route to cap off a Thanksgiving holiday weekend in Schenectady County.

"My wife and I had the pleasure of experiencing our very first Schenectady Christmas Parade," says Chamber President Charles Steiner, who began his duties in January 2002. "It was spectacular! What a terrific example of all that is great about this entire community of Schenectady. The 'oohs' and 'ahhhs' and the smiles on the faces of children of all ages captured it all."

Steiner passes along his congratulations to parade chair Onnie Nappi and the more than 200 volunteers "who worked tirelessly to coordinate such a wonderful community event, as well as the hundreds of businesses and community groups, sponsors, fire companies, schools, parents and families for the beautifully decorated floats, bands and marching units. Even Mother Nature provided us with a

beautiful blanket of snow, and thanks to the city crews the parade route was cleared and ready to go in record time. To everyone who worked so hard to make the evening such fun, we thank you. We can't wait until next year."

The parade is presented by The Chamber of Schenectady County, in conjunction with the city of Schenectady. The 185 entries surpassed the 2001 record of 170 entries, and the parade took two hours to pass before thousands of spectators through a downtown Schenectady route that was extended to include a stretch of State Street between Lafayette Street and Nott Terrace. The *Gazette* Newspapers served as the parade's major sponsor.

The parade featured its first-ever giant helium balloon - Alvin the Chipmunk - compliments of Rotterdam-based Golub Corporation. The 40-foot balloon, preceded by a 15-foot helium balloon in the shape of a Christmas ornament, got the loudest spectator cheers as the handlers, all of whom were employees of Golub's Price Chopper Supermarkets, successfully negotiated

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## First Night® Albany will 'Dance the Night Away'

The New Year's Eve celebration First Night® Albany, sponsored in part by new Chamber of Schenectady County member Albany Department of Special Events & Volunteer Services, will usher in the new year 2003 with the theme of "Let's Dance the Night Away."

"First Night has become an Albany tradition," says Albany Mayor Jerry Jennings of the evening of December 31. "An evening shared with family, friends and the community, and filled with fireworks, music and entertainment is the perfect way to begin the New Year. Come and join the fun!"

Opening ceremonies at 6 p.m. feature the Chinese Community Dance Center celebrating the colorful event with "dragons and drummers." Fireworks will light up the sky at 6:15 p.m. over the east lawn of the state Capitol building, and the 6th annual "First Night, Last Run" 5k road race kicks off at 6:30 p.m. with more than 700 runners covering a route through the Capital Holiday Lights in Washington Park.

Buttons are on sale now at Price Chopper, Stewart's Shops and Albany City Hall. They are also available online at [www.albanyevents.org](http://www.albanyevents.org).

## 1,600 Advertising Opportunities for 2003

The new year will bring cost changes for Chamber of Schenectady County members who wish to advertise in the publications and online programs offered by the Chamber.

The price to place a banner ad on the Web site at [www.schenectadychamber.org](http://www.schenectadychamber.org) will drop in 2003. Chamber President Charles Steiner says the reduced cost is designed to showcase a campaign to lure more members and the public alike to browse the comprehensive and interactive site. The redesigned Web site was launched during October 2002, the second such change within three years.

"Business today is driven by the Internet, and we want to provide our members with

inexpensive and efficient ways to get their message out," says Steiner. "The availability of online advertising, coupled with its lower cost, is one way we can boost the business climate of our members and region."

A flyer contained in this newsletter details the costs of display advertising, flyer inserts and the tentative publication schedule of the monthly newsletter.

In the case of the flyers, members must still reserve space in a certain month's newsletter, submit a proof of their insert for review and approval by Chamber staff, and provide 1,600 copies to the Chamber office by the stated deadline. All prices are effective January 1.

## Jewelry Sales Benefit Cancer Awareness

Sondra's Fine Jewelry at 1624 Union St., Schenectady has specially designed a pin, tie tack and pendant to help raise breast cancer awareness among the public, with proceeds of the sales benefiting Bellevue Woman's Hospital's Breast Care Center.



Owner Sondra Stephens, marking her fifth year in business, developed the concept, and the shop's master jeweler, Paula Lancaster, designed the various pieces of jewelry. "Breast cancer affects everyone," says Stephens. "Everyone loves someone who has the potential to get breast cancer. Breast cancer does not discriminate."

The jewelry is 14k gold or sterling silver, and can include a pink tourmaline stone.

## BlueShield Simplifies Referral Process

BlueShield of Northeastern New York, is eliminating the need for in-network referrals as of January. Primary care physicians can refer Community Blue members directly to an in-network specialist without contacting the health plan for approval.

"One of the biggest frustrations our members and primary care physicians have is the referral process," says COO Robert Boden. "By eliminating the need for referrals, we are freeing up the physicians' time, which will allow them to focus more on patient care and less on paperwork."

This program is available to Community Blue HMO members only.

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 Spirits served until closing

## Parade (continued from page one)



A holiday float from the GE Elfuns Society passes through the downtown Schenectady route of the 33rd annual Gazette Christmas Parade. The float garnered the "Chair Award" from the Chamber of Schenectady County's board of directors' chair Lou Smith-Law for being the best float entered by a service organization.

the balloons under and around power lines, traffic signals and – most notably – the 13-foot railroad overpass just east of Erie Boulevard without a problem.

The parade theme of "Schenectady Loves New York" was chosen to recognize this year's Silver Anniversary of the world-famous I LOVE NY tourism campaign. To further mark the achievement, the parade's grand marshals – all of whom are Schenectady County residents – were state Tourism Division officials.

Fifteen parade award winners were named:

- **Best of Parade:** St. Anthony's Church, Schenectady.
- **Mayor's Award** for most original entry: New York State Thruway Authority.
- **Mayor's Youth Award** for most original youth entry: Paige Elementary School, Schenectady.
- **President's Award:** Dimension Fabricators, Schenectady.
- **Chamber of Schenectady County Award** for best float by a business entry: Vern's Auto Body, Amsterdam.
- **I LOVE NY Award:** New York State Department of Transportation.
- **Red Suspenders Award** for best adaptation of the parade theme by a fire vehicle: City of Schenectady Fire Department, which is

celebrating its 102nd anniversary.

- **Stepping to the Music Award** for best marching band: Mohonasen High School Marching Band, Rotterdam.
- **Chair's Award** for best float by a service organization: GE Elfuns Society.
- **Chair's Youth Award** for best float by a youth service organization: Schalmont Middle School Builders Club, Rotterdam.
- **Grand Marshal's Award** for best adaptation of the parade theme by an entry: Ellis Hospital.
- **Grand Marshal's Youth Award** for best adaptation of the parade theme by a youth entry: Howe International Magnet School, Schenectady.
- **Judges' Choice Award:** Golub Corporation.
- **Judges' Choice Youth Award:** Ferrara Dance Studio, Rotterdam and Scotia.
- **My Neighbor Award** for best representation of Schenectady County: 109th Airlift Wing.

All parade award winners, participants and volunteers, along with Chamber of Schenectady County members, were feted at the 33rd annual Gazette Christmas Parade Awards Reception and Business After-hours Mixer, held December 10 at the Holiday Inn, Nott Terrace, Schenectady.

## Best Practices

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school students through reading books, writing stories, art activities and creating nutritious snacks. More than 100 children participated, and 150 books were collected so they can be loaned to the children and their families.

**GEPSU-Middle School Engineering Career Awareness Program.** An existing "Pathways to Engineering" program established by General Electric Power Systems University (GEPSU) for high school students in the seven public school districts serving Schenectady County was expanded to include middle school students. In April, 140 eighth-grade boys and girls were introduced to several engineers who shared information about their careers.

• **High Schools that Work.** Rotterdam's Mohonasen School District is one of 11 groups in New York state involved with "High Schools that Work," a national school reform initiative designed to establish higher academic standards for all students, integrate career and technical education into all traditional studies, create partnerships with the business community, and institute a whole-school reform to sustain a continuous school improvement effort. Mohonasen and the State Farm Insurance Foundation partnered to build the initiative, and their award recognizes the collaborative process and change in progress.

Rotterdam's Mohonasen School District captured a School-to-Career "Best Practice Validation" award for being one of 11 groups in the state to participate in the "High Schools that Work" initiative. Participating in the award ceremony, held in the Van Curler Room of Schenectady County Community College, are, from the left, Mohonasen Schools Superintendent Oliver Robinson, Mohonasen High School Principal Lisa Cutting, Chamber of Schenectady County President Charles Steiner, and Megan Soden and Kristen Halligan of State Farm Insurance. An article detailing all Best Practice award winners is on page 6 in this newsletter.



"Staffing Employee of the Year" Anna Fossella is flanked by Manpower President Alec Courtney, left, David Wehner of the state Labor Department and Manpower Schenectady Branch Manager Irene Allen. The New York Association of Temporary and Staffing Services honored Fossella, who began working for Manpower in 1992, for excellent performance and reliability.



## THE CHAMBER ON THE ROAD



A record number of 400 job seekers flocked to a job fair held at and co-sponsored by the Schenectady Association for Retarded Citizens in early November. About 25 local companies turned out to recruit workers and accept resumes. Employers included those from Target Department Store and Lowe's Home Improvement Center, two businesses that will open during 2003 at the new Mohawk Commons shopping center in Niskayuna. Other job fair sponsors and attendees included The Chamber of Schenectady County, Schenectady One-Stop Center, the city of Schenectady and the state Labor Department.



Julianne Capiello Miranda congratulates employee Stephen Otis as part of an 81st anniversary celebration for F. Capiello Dairy Products, Inc. held at the Glen Sanders Mansion. The Capiello family recognized 13 employees for their many combined years of service to the company, while a large number of invited guests feasted on gourmet foods that featured various Capiello cheeses in the recipes.



Union College Webmaster Tom Smith, standing, presents a workshop, "Integrating the Web into a Marketing Campaign," in mid-November at the Chamber offices. The workshop was the final session in a three-part marketing seminar series sponsored by the Chamber.

## MEMBER BUSINESS NEWS

**Kevin Bishop** has been hired as an associate in the financial services department of **Bollam, Sheedy, Torani & Co., LLP, CPAs**, where he'll provide auditing and other attest services to the accounting firm's clients. The State University College at Brockport graduate was a senior accountant with a Baltimore, Maryland public accounting firm.

**Brian Cummings** and **Matt Brobston** have joined **C.T. Male Associates, P.C.**, as an engineering designer and landscape architect designer, respectively. Cummings, responsible for multi-task projects such as designing underground storm water structures and detention basins, was a project coordinator for Clough, Harbour and Associates. Brobston's duties include grading, landscape and site plans for the firm's land development group.

**Mehigan Robert & Bellone, Inc.** has appointed **Bill Gathen** its director of marketing, responsible for new business growth, concept development and copywriting, creative consulting and project management for new and existing clients. The Union College graduate most recently was director of marketing for Internet service provider Logical Net Corporation, Gathen is a former Johnstown High School teacher.

**Christopher Koetzle**, a legislative analyst for the New York State Assembly, has been appointed to the board of directors of **Catholic Charities of Schenectady County**.

**Metro Movers Inc.** recently expanded its Burnt Hills Route 50 Self-Storage facility by 20,000 square feet, increasing capacity to 500 mini-storage units and 50,000 square feet of space. The facility is insulated, and one building is also heated and air conditioned for storage of more delicate items by the public. The facility features 24-hour access and security, and enough space to store boats, trailers, recreational vehicles and cars.

**The Tri-Zip™** from Schenectady-based luggage designer and manufacturer **Tough Traveler Ltd.** has been recommended for use by luggage guru **Doug Dymont** of "One Bag: The Art and Science of Traveling Light." Dymont labels the Tri-Zip "a superior business bag in its own right ... I've yet to discover a better solution for one that can also be worn as a backpack. He calls the bag "an appealing dual-purpose solution" for people who want the look of luggage but want the option of using it as a backpack.

Schenectady-based **Fortitech, Inc.** and global giant **BASF** have entered a joint venture that transfers BASF's premix customers in Europe, Asia, South America and Africa to Fortitech's international companies. Fortitech takes ownership of BASF's premix manufacturing facilities in Denmark and Malaysia, while BASF becomes the primary supplier of many nutritional ingredients to Fortitech. The agreement strengthens both companies' positions as leading suppliers of nutritional ingredients and nutrient systems. BASF will provide Fortitech with enhanced access to top-grade nutritional ingredients to be used in nutrient systems for products ranging from baby formulas and nutrient bars to drinks and supplements. Fortitech also gains access to BASF's substantial nutritional research and development efforts.

**The Capital District YMCA** has been awarded \$20,000 in **J.C. Penney** after-school grants for a literacy program in the association's after-school childcare sites. The money will fund a library of "Kidzlit" materials to be shared throughout the association, supplement staff for an after-school enrichment program at Farnsworth Middle School in Guilderland and expand childcare services to **Scotia-Glenville** middle school students.

### Welcome Our New Members

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## PSC Approves Millions for Economic Growth

The New York State Public Service Commission (PSC) has approved \$18.7 million in utility economic development programs to attract, retain and expand businesses in the territories served by Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, New York State Electric and Gas Corporation, and Central Hudson Gas and Electric Corporation.

“Promoting and sustaining economic growth in New York state through effective energy policies continues to be one of the commission’s most important objectives,” says PSC Chair Maureen Helmer. “In approving these programs, the commission reaffirms its support for utility economic development initiatives. Programs that promote increased economic activity provide benefits to all utility customers by maximizing the efficient use of utility assets, reducing the cost to serve all customers, expanding the tax base and creating and retaining jobs in the utility service area.”

Niagara Mohawk is authorized to spend an additional \$12.5 million per year for the next 10 years. The company’s economic development plan already contains a \$27 million appropriation. Central Hudson is allowed to spend \$2.2 million annually over five years.

## STC Awards Educational “Best Practices”



Lance Jackson, left, a member of the STC Partnership, congratulates Dean Smith and Seena Drapola of GE Power Systems University (GEPSU) and June Krone, career education coordinator at Rotterdam’s Schalmont Central School District, on their “Best Practice Validation” award for expanding GEPSU’s Pathways to Engineering program from the county’s public high schools to include middle schools throughout Schenectady County.

Six specially designed educational programs benefiting students in Schenectady County schools have received “Best Practice Validation” awards from the School-to-Careers (STC) Partnership, a program of the Schenectady County Chamber Foundation, Inc.

The awards, presented during the annual School-to-Careers Fall Symposium held at Schenectady County Community College, recognize activities and curricula that demonstrate an effective application of program principles.

The awards were presented to the following programs:

**National Space Day 2002.** In recognition of National Space Day on May 2, the Schenectady Museum, Lockheed Martin KAPL and three Schenectady city middle schools collaborated to introduce 120 sixth-grade students to careers in space program research and development. The program included an overview of local careers in science, math and technology; a rocket demonstration; details of the Apollo lunar missions; exploring the night sky from the Schenectady Museum planetarium; and making and using sundials. Accepting the award were Catherine Eliseo of the Schenectady Museum, Linda Lombard of the city school district, and Randy Dziendziel of Lockheed Martin KAPL.

**ACT for Youth “How to Get a Job” Workshop.** Assets Coming Together (ACT) for Youth is designed to help children make healthy choices and avoid risky behaviors. Cornell Cooperative Extension, Schenectady County, serves as the “hub” agency. ACT for Youth created a workshop, including a video created by the teens that compares two young people in the job interview process, a follow-up discussion and a series of interactive activities - all led by the youths. Christine Koster and Ellen Elliott of Cornell Cooperative Extension accepted the award.

**Careers in our Community.** This Schalmont School District initiative showcased careers that can be found in the community to fourth graders, who used a Schenectady County map to determine who lives, works, learns and plays in the community. Each student wrote a letter requesting information about a career choice from a community employer. Later, students took field trips to businesses including MVP Health Care, Feuz Manufacturing, Schenectady Museum and the Rotterdam Police Department. June Krone of the Schalmont district and fourth-grade teacher Amy Dunn accepted the award.

**Snacks and Stories.** Central Park Middle School teachers Deb Smith-Conroy and Kerry Gibbons developed the project to develop literacy skills for preschoolers and middle

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## Schedule of Free Business Seminars Set

“Angel Investors & Venture Capital for Entrepreneurs” will kick off the winter and spring schedule of the Saturday on the Hill seminar series sponsored by and held at the Schenectady County Community Business Center, 920 Albany St., Schenectady. All sessions are free and run from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturdays.

The angel investor seminar, to be held December 14, will address the critical need for growing businesses to find funding and where they may find the financing. The seminar will help business owners determine if an angel investor and venture capital are available for their businesses and how to access the financing.

The remaining schedule follows:

- **January 11:** What Your Credit Report Means to You and Your Business.
- **February 8:** Introduction to Entrepreneurship.
- **March 8:** Copyright and Trademark Law for Entrepreneurs.
- **April 12:** Business Plans as Easy as 1-2-3.
- **May 10:** Opening and Operating a Restaurant.
- **June 14:** Financing a Small Business.

For information and registration, call the center at 382-3069 or visit [www.sccbc.org](http://www.sccbc.org).

## High School “Intern of the Month”

*Editor’s note: The following begins a new monthly column that recognizes outstanding interns from the high schools that participate in the Career Exploration Internship Program (CEIP), one of several campaigns coordinated through the School-to-Careers Partnership of the Schenectady County Chamber Foundation.*

Schenectady High School Senior Frank Cagnina Jr. turned a devastating family tragedy that touched the hearts of the entire region into what he believes will be his life’s work. Cagnina, 17, is nearing completion of his 108-hour internship with Bond Funeral Home, Broadway and Guilderland Avenue in Schenectady.

“I’ve known what I’ve wanted to do since ninth grade,” says Cagnina, his ambition sparked by the brutal murder of his elderly aunts Matilda Montenaro and Lois DeMaria while he was an eighth-grader. Cagnina’s aunts were murdered during the burglary of the Hamilton Hill home they shared, and the perpetrators were later caught and sent to state prison.



“I watched how Mike DeMarco (of DeMarco-Stone Funeral Home) handled the family while in grief, how he comforted everyone and took care of all the details,” says Cagnina. “I was curious when I saw how funeral directors go out of their way to do things that aren’t in the job requirements.” Cagnina credits Anne Marie Miller at Schenectady High School with arranging for his internship.

Cagnina says he wants to work at Bond’s after his internship. After graduation, he plans to complete the two-year mortuary sciences program at Hudson Valley Community College, Troy. Then it’s on to completing his funeral home director’s testing and licensing requirements.

“I love the internship program,” adds Cagnina. “Students can get help doing everything from compiling a resume with cover letter to actual intern placement.”

“Frank has done very well,” says funeral home

## Grant Helps Nonprofits

Schenectady Access Cable Council (SACC TV) has received a grant from the Schenectady County Arts Program to help non-profit organizations broadcast their message over public access station Channel 16 that is available to Time Warner Cable subscribers.

The grant will be used to train non-profit organization staff members to use the facilities of Channel 16 to create television announcements and programs that would air over the station, which can be viewed by Time Warner subscribers in the city of Schenectady, towns of Glenville, Niskayuna and Rotterdam, and the village of Scotia. The program will allow eligible agencies and groups to televise announcements of upcoming events and in-depth presentations of their programs.

Call SACC TV Executive Director Susan Mancini at 346-3181 for more details and application forms.

President Robert Bond. “He shows the attributes that are going to make him a very good funeral director. He has the necessary personality, he’s good with people, he’s very excited about the profession and he’s very respectful. Most kids at this age don’t know what they want, but Frank is motivated.” Bond says he’d like to hire Frank for part- or full-time work.